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Viceroy's Reply To Tej Bahadur Sapru

Will Receive Deputation But Asks For Memorandum On Matters Of Discussion

ALLAHABAD, March 22.

The "United Press" learns that Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru has received a reply from the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Viceroy acknowledging the receipt of the statement issued by the leaders who met in Bombay on March 10 and sent to the Viceroy by Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru.

VICEROY'S REPLY

It is understood that the reply states that the Viceroy will be glad to receive a deputation and asks for a memorandum on matters which the deputation might like to raise during the talks with the Viceroy so as to be sent preferably in advance.—United Press.

RAISMAN TALKS OF FREEZING OF DIVIDENDS

Sir V. N. Chandavarkar Advocates Compulsory Savings Scheme To Help War Effort

Regarding rumours that the Government of India proposed to limit dividends of Joint Stock Companies, the Delhi correspondent of the 'Hindu' of Madras wires:—

These rumours appear to have had their origin in certain observations Sir Jeremy Raisman made in the course of the debate on the Finance Bill.

Sir Jeremy referred to the possibility of freezing of dividends as well as of bonuses in the course of his reply to the debate on the first reading of the Finance Bill. The subject had been raised by Sir Vithal Chandavarkar.

"This (question of compulsory saving) is a matter to which I have given a good deal of attention," observed Sir Jeremy Raisman, "and the Government have by no means said their last word on that subject. But I understood Sir Vithal Chandavarkar to deprecate any approach to th matter by way of a restriction of dividends. I find that rather difficult to reconcile or to understand. In my opinion, the action to be taken on this front must include action in relation to dividends as well as to bonuses, and all other forms in which increased purchasing power is handed out, whether to the employing classes, or the investing classes, or labour."

Sir Vithal Chandavarkar: I said my proposal would lead to the restriction of dividends and to that extent it would achieve both the objects.

Sir Jeremy Raisman: It seems to me that it may be that the most practical approach to this matter would be by restriction of dividends accompanied by a provision for compulsory saving. I may assure my honourable friend that this is a matter which, although it was not ripe at the time of the budget, is engaging my very close attention.

COMPULSORY SAVINGS SCHEME

Chandavarkar On Govt. Borrowing Policy

The following is the relevant portion of Sir V. N. Chandavarkar's speech about the borrowing policy of the Government:—

"One thing has to be confessed, that the people are not inclined to put money in Government loans. Even industrial concerns which formerly used to invest their money in Government loans are buying industrial shares even at the present prices; and the reduction in the post office accounts—what does it show? It shows first that the people have no confidence in the Government and are not behind the war effort. There is no doubt it is a very unfortunate situation; as far as I am concerned, I regret very much indeed that a large number of people are not supporting Government loans. They are deliberately not investing in Government securities and are persuading people not to buy defence loans. The smaller people who have withdrawn from post office savings banks may have done it for two reasons: first, because they have lost confidence in Government and secondly because of the rise in the cost of living they had to withdraw their savings in order to make both ends meet. I am not here referring to the question of the solution of the political deadlock—I am referring now to the question of the Government policy. What is happening now? A large amount of savings is not now going into Government loans. Has not the time come for Government to think of a compulsory savings scheme? The Honourable Finance Member said that he had thought of the proposal, but on further consideration he dropped it. Cannot the appropriation or distribution of profits be linked in some manner or other to the investment of a part of the profits in the defence loans? Cannot the Government think of some way by which all the industrial concerns will be compelled to invest a portion of their profits in the Government loans? I am not speaking of limitation of dividends. But indirectly this policy might also result in the limitation of dividends. A direct limitation of dividends may be resented, and may not be in the interests of industries, but reservation of a portion of the profits in defence loans and linking such reservation with the declaration of dividends might achieve both the objects, that is, Government getting the loans as well as companies being made to limit their dividends. You might also say that these Government loans ought to form part of reserve funds which after a certain number of years after the war may be distributed to the shareholders as dividends. So, the shareholders will not feel that the Government is compelling the mills to put in their money in the reserve fund without making it a condition that these funds will come back to them in future years after the war is over in the shape of dividends. Many companies have dividend equalisation funds, so that in bad times they can maintain standard dividends. This proposal, I submit, should be explored by Government.

CHECK INFLATION

I come to the very vexed question of inflation. Currency notes are being freely printed. As one ignorant man said the other day, the only thing you can get very freely without any restriction and very cheaply is the Government currency note. I am not prepared to say that the situation is beyond control, but I do maintain that steps should be taken to check the tendencies which are now seen. Here too I submit that Government cannot act without the advice of the economists of the country and some of the industrialists who have applied their minds to this problem. It is impossible for Government to be properly advised by their Economic Adviser, who, in the first place, has been imported from England, and for whom it is very difficult to get into the skin of the people, and understand what is happening. It is time now for Government to have, as Sir Abdul Halim Ghuznavi recommended, a small body of economists, an economic advisory council for the Treasury whom the Treasury should consult in all such matters. Some of the remedies which I have suggested—limitation of cash bonuses, limitation of cash dearness allowances, limitation of cash payments, will I think have some effect in checking the prices of commodities.

FOOD PROBLEM MAY BRING CRISIS

I will now just refer to the political situation. As far as the Government is concerned, I know and I tell them plainly that the situation in the country is not at all happy. I am glad that they have brought the situation under control, but if they think that mere repression will solve the problem, they are entirely wrong. The bitterness against the Government and the British is increasing. When a man like me says that, the Government ought to accept it. If they think that because of the cleavage between the Hindus and the Muslims they can sit tight and carry on without any concern, they are entirely mistaken. I give them a warning. The food situation might change the whole outlook and picture within a very short time. When a large section of low class and middle class Hindus and Muslims find that they cannot get food to eat and that life has become a burden, then within a very short time the hunger urge will make them combine. All the political leaders on both sides will be swept aside and the people may join hands in bringing about an upheaval in the country. Do not think of the political cleavages. Think of the masses of the people. There is a great deal of unity among the masses of the people and when the hunger urge is there, it will not take very long for them to bring about a general disorder in the country. That is the warning I would like to give my friends, my European friends on the Treasury Benches.

INDIA AND ALLIED POLICY

Adjournment Motion Tabled In Assembly

NEW DELHI, March 23.

Mr. Hossainbhai Lalji has tabled an adjournment motion in the Assembly to discuss "the urgent necessity to impress upon His Majesty's Government that their fortunes with regard to the re-establishment of their export and the securing of their share in the augmented world trade will be greatly influenced not only by the policies of U. S. A. and of the British Dominions but also of India and while they are doing their utmost to keep in ever closer contact with them, they should also try their utmost to keep in closer contact with India.

Further, while they have already put before their friends and Allies tentative suggestions for the future management of exchange and international currency, they should also put those before India without any delay before a definite agreement is arrived at as this country is as vitally interested as themselves, their friends and their Allies in this matter".—A. P.

"U-BOATS SIGHTED"

CAPETOWN, March 23.

Vice-Admiral Sir William Tait Commander-in-Chief, the African station, revealed in a statement issued here to-day that U-boats had been sighted off all South African coasts.

"Their coming was not unexpected and preparations had been made to meet them," he said.—Reuter.

SUPPLIES CUT OFF FROM MARTINIQUE

"Good Deal Of Resentment Against Admiral Robert"

WASHINGTON, March 23.

The Navy Secretary Col. Knox said to-day "A good deal of resentment" is growing among the population of Martinique against Admiral Robert the Vichy-minded commandant of the island "for being so stubborn"

Col. Knox said that all supplies were now cut off from the island and things were getting pretty tight down there. Discussing the Pacific area operations at a press conference, Col. Knox said "things are very quiet out there at the moment but one never can tell—it may be the calm before a storm. The war is still on out there very much".

Replying to a question, Col. Knox said that the German propaganda report that Axis submarines were using oxygen in diesel motors to avoid using batteries has been exploded and described it as "a wild dream".—Reuter.

TRYING TO SABOTAGE BRITISH EMPIRE?

Lord Bennet Charges Willkie

TORONTO:—An attack on Mr. Wendell Willkie, the American leader, for his utterances about India was made by Lord Bennet, the former Prime Minister of Canada in a speech at Toronto recently. He declared that "Mr. Willkie proposes to sabotage the British Empire." Challenging his authority to speak about India, he said:—

"Mr. Willkie is not qualified to speak, as he has, about India He cannot possibly have sounded the opinion of 400,000,000 people in a short time he was in the Far East. He asserted:—

"The Government of India as the greatest tribute to the British greatness and I have found resentment in Canada over the recent speeches of Mr. Willkie after his round-the-world tour."

It will be recalled that Mr. Willkie in several of his speeches and also a broadcast from New York referred to India as "Our Problem" adding that "If Japan should conquer India, we should be the losers. In the same sense the Philippines are a British problem".—India Press Service.

Executed For "High Treason"

STOCKHOLM, March 23.

Five Viennese have been executed for "high treason" according to a Berlin telegram to the "Svenska Dagbladet."—Reuter

PHILLIPS FOR MADURA

TRIVANDRUM, March 23.

It is now learnt that Mr. William Phillips after leaving Edapalayam to-morrow will proceed to Madura (not Alwaye as mentioned earlier) and thence for Ooty.

H. H. the Maharaja of Travancore gave a dinner last night at Kanakakunnu Palace in honour of Mr. William Phillips.—A. P.

RELAPSE IN SAROJINI'S HEALTH

POONA, March 23.

Mrs. Sarojini Naidu had a relapse of fever since last night and the temperature is keeping within 101 degrees. She was restless at night with fever and nausea trouble.

Dr. E. H. Coyajee and Dr. Dinshaw Mehta examined her this morning. She feels much exhausted.

Mrs. Naidu's sister, Sunalini Devi, has arrived here.—

Anti-Malarial Treatment

Mrs. Sarojini Naidu is being given anti-malaria treatment since this evening, as heavy infection of malaria was confirmed by her second blood test. She had a temperature below 101 degrees and her kidney, liver and heart complications remain the same. She is a bit restful since the forenoon.

Mrs. Naidu was examined this evening by Dr. E. H. Coyajee and Dr. D. K. Mehta. Mrs. Naidu's second sister, Mrs. Suhasini Jambhekar also arrived here. Inquiries about her health were made by her husband from Hyderabad and by Madame Sophia Wadia from Bombay.—United Press.

CALCUTTA TO MUNICIPALISE TRAMS

CALCUTTA, March 22.

At a special meeting held to-day the Calcutta Corporation decided to take over the Calcutta Tramways undertaking on and from January 1, 1945, and appoint an Agent for the purpose of purchasing the undertaking and working the same on behalf of the Corporation.—United Press.

SOVIET DRIVE ON SMOLENSK

Several Townships And Villages Captured

LONDON, March 23.

Reuter's special correspondent in Moscow writes: New gains in Red Army's drive on Smolensk were reported here to-day following indication that Von Anstein's big offensive is dying down after three weeks' uninterrupted fighting.

To-day's Soviet 'communique' announced the capture of three strongly fortified German centres on the central front which includes the Smolensk sector. South of Byeli where a Red Army column is battering its way towards Smolensk, more townships and villages were seized by the Russians—one of them after bitter hand-to-hand fighting through streets in which 200 Germans were killed.

The New German offensive on the Briansk front continues to be held. In three days' fighting in this sector alone, 5,500 Germans have been killed. The scene of this German attack is the Zhizdra area, midway between Briansk and Sukhinichi.

In south, the focal point of the fighting on the new Soviet line was now shifted to the area of Byelgorod, 50 miles north-east of Kharkov.

Baulked in their attempts to bridge the Donetz at Chuguyev, south of Kharkov, the Germans are now trying to force a crossing on the upper reaches of the river. In fierce fighting, one Soviet formation destroyed six German tanks and 25 lorry-loads of troops.—Reuter.

Pakistan Will Be Socialist State, Assures Dr. Kazi

PARTITION OF INDIA—ONLY WAY TO PEACE & HARMONY, SAYS DEHLAVI

A public meeting to observe March 23rd as the Pakistan Day was held at Kaiser Baug, Dongri, on Tuesday night when Mr. I. I. Chundrigar presided.

Sir Ali Mohamad Khan Dehlavi in the course of his speech observed that it was an essential duty of every Muslim to understand the meaning of Pakistan and that they required due share in the Government of the country.

Muslims were a separate nation, continued Sir Ali Mohamad Dehlavi. Congress, on the one hand, wanted to establish Government on the basis of democracy in other words to rule over 10 crores of Muslims. "India is a prison of Nations and democratic Government can be framed only in a country where there is one nation, whereas in India it is otherwise."

Concluding he said, the partition of India was a correct solution for peace and harmony.

Dr. A. H. Kazi in the course of his speech said that in Pakistan, Muslims intended to establish an Islamic State, i.e., a kingdom of God which would be run in accordance with the principle laid down in the Koran and put into practice by the Holy Prophet.

Continuing he said justice would be done to minority communities in the Pakistan Regime. "They will have cultural autonomy with full political and economic rights. The principle of Brotherhood of mankind will be put into practice. There will be a democratic form of Government. The economic life of the country will be managed in the interest of the Society as a whole. In short it will be a Socialist State."

The special message sent by Mr. M. A. Jinnah to Muslim India was read by Mr. I. I. Chundrigar and was translated by Dr. A. H. Kazi.

Mr. Chundrigar in the course of his speech emphasized that the Muslim masses should be educated to realise the importance and establishment of Pakistan. They would therefore be able to demand their birthright.

Mr. Hussein A. Beg Mahomad also spoke.

CELEBRATIONS AT LAHORE

LAHORE, March 23.—Pakistan Day was observed in Lahore to-day when the demand for the establishment of Pakistan was reiterated at a meeting of Muslims presided over by the Nawab of Mamdot, President of the Punjab Muslim League. The speakers included Raja Ghazanfarali, M. L. A., Khan Bahadur Moulvi Ghulam Mohyuddin, Sardar Gopalsingh, M. L. A., (Scheduled Caste) and Mr. Narinder Nath (Democratic Party).

The president read out the message of Mr. M. A. Jinnah, messages received from Syed Mohd. Saadullah, Prime Minister of Assam, Dr. P. Subbaroyan, ex-Minister, Madras, Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar and Raja of Mahmudabad, were also read out.

AT MADRAS

MADRAS, March 23.—Pakistan Day was observed here by Muslims holding a public meeting at the big mosque, Triplicane, this evening when Mr. Mohamed Ismail, Vice-President of the Madras Provincial Muslim League presided. Mr. Jinnah's message to the Muslims of India issued to-day was read at the meeting.

COUNTER-BLAST TO PAKISTAN DEMAND

KARACHI, March 23.

The hint that as a counterblast to the Pakistan demand endorsed by the Sind Assembly, the Hindus of Sind may likewise demand a separate existence for themselves in the name of Sindhu Asthan (with option to be reannexed to Bombay) is contained in a series of resolutions passed to-day by the Sind Hindu Sevak Mandal, an organisation formed in pursuance of Mr. Nichaldas Wazirani's scheme to mobilise the Hindu Panchayats of Sind to voice their interests.—A. P.

STOP PRESS

MRS. NAIDU'S CONDITION; NO CAUSE FOR ANXIETY

POONA, March 23.

Mrs. Sarojini Naidu spent a fairly good day to-day. Although she is still having low temperature, the doctors who examined her to-day regarded her condition to be satisfactory. She is stated to be out of danger now and there is no particular cause for anxiety. All that she needed was complete rest for a few days

Doctors Coyajee and D. K. Mehta again examined her today.—A. P.

Mareth Position Bypassed

Allied Troops Swing Towards Sea Threatening Rommel's Rear

LONDON, March 23.

The Algiers Radio announced that Maknassy has been occupied by the Allies.

The announcer said: "The occupation of Maknassy was effected by United States troops advancing from Gafsa."

Reuter's special correspondent cables from the Headquarters in North Africa that the Eighth Army has already bypassed the Mareth position and is now swinging towards the sea at Gabes threatening Rommel's rear.

Rommel's forces are fighting back very fiercely against frontal attacks on their lines which nevertheless are making headway.

Pounding Of German Lines

Powerful tank formations are pounding the German lines and infantry troops are taking part in the general drive. Matmata Massif itself was attacked by troops from south-west, who are now trying to outflank it. In close co-operation with tanks and land troops, the Air force continues its work behind the Axis lines. Dive-bombing attacks on the first line of bombing positions in the immediate rear and pounding by night of far away depots are competing with each other in intensity. On many Axis landing grounds planes were destroyed by direct hits and numerous fires were started. Two enemy fighters and four Junkers 87s were destroyed by fighters and bombers. Four Allied fighters are missing."

ADVANCE TOWARDS GULF OF GABES

The Algiers radio states French troops continue to make progress towards the Gulf of Gabes from south of Gafsa.

The announcer added: "Gen. Montgomery's army is barring the plain before Gabes between the steep hills of Matmata and the sea."

The Morocco Radio announced that Gen. Montgomery has driven a wedge into the "best defended part" of the Mareth Line.

ALGIERS: An American broadcast says that the British force has just made a forced march of 100 miles to fight Rommel and is now ten miles south of El Hamma less than 20 miles from west of Gabes.

HITLER'S "FIRMAN"

The Morocco Radio gives the report that Hitler has ordered his troops in Tunisia to fight to the last man, telling Rommel and Von Arnim to "resist or die."

Hitler in the same message is said to have announced that he is returning to the Russian Front.

LONDON:—American mobile troops pressing through South Tunisian valleys have occupied Maknassy on the railway to Sfax in the north and Gabes in the south according to the Algiers radio. This narrows Rommel's escape corridor to only 40-mile coastal strip. The Afrika Korps is now hemmed into an 80-mile long rectangle with Gen. Montgomery's Eighth Army hurling itself at the Mareth fortifications, while the Americans are close in at Rommel's back.

52 AXIS TANKS BLOWN UP

Fifty-two German tanks were damaged and afterwards blown up by British Sappers during Rommel's recent attacks against the Eighth Army's positions in Tunisia although no British armour was engaged the War Secretary Sir James Grigg told the Commons to-day. He said a detailed report of the performance of the "Churchill Tanks" was not yet received but general accounts spoke favourably of them.—Reuter.

U. S. FORCES GO AHEAD

LONDON: The Algiers radio American broadcaster stated that United States' forces after taking Maknassy, have pushed on further three miles and occupied a ridge east of the village.

AIR ATTACK ON MARETH LINE

CAIRO:—Allied planes are attacking the Mareth Line area today with terrific intensity. There is no slackening in Allied air onslaught. Rommel's troops equipment and installations are targets for incessant attacks.

NEZDA STATION RECAPTURED

LONDON, March 24.

Allied Headquarters in North Africa: The First Army has recaptured Nezda station near Djebel Aboid.—Reuter.

R. A. F. ATTACK ON ST. NAZAIRE

LONDON, March 23.

An Air Ministry Communique to-day announces: "Last night the enemy submarine base at St. Nazaire was heavily bombed. One of our aircraft is missing.

"Whirlwinds" of the Fighter Command without loss bombed railway targets in Brittany".

WILHELMSHAVEN RAIDED

LONDON:—It is officially announced that American heavy bombers attacked Wilhelmshaven in daylight on Monday.

Heavy Attack On Naples

CAIRO: To-day's Middle East R. A. F. Communique states: "Heavy bombers attacked Naples during the night of March 21/22. Large fires were observed near the railway depot and oil installations. From these and other operations all our aircraft returned safely". This was the second night in succession on which heavy bombers from the Middle East raided the port of Naples.

R. A. F. Attack On Prome

NEW DELHI, March 23.

Yesterday the R. A. F. were active over several parts of Burma, says an India Command joint war Communique. A strong formation of "Blenheims" attacked an important Japanese transit camp at Prome with high explosive and incendiary bombs. Many hits were observed on the target and fires were left burning. The camp was also attacked by fighters. In Arakan enemy positions at Laungchaung and Kalachaung were bombed and machine-gunned and bombs were also dropped on Akyab. In the Katha district objectives at Sinbo were attacked and large fires were started. Last night "Hudson" aircraft bombed dispersal areas at Magwe aerodrome.

From these operations none of our aircraft is missing.—A. P.

JAP. SHIPPING DISRUPTED

Japanese shipping between Shanghai and Nagasaki has been disrupted as a result of the destruction of many Japanese ships by the Allied submarines, including the "Nagasaki Maru" the "Kobe Maru" and "Yokohama Maru", according to a report from Southern Yangtse, says the Chungking radio.

OVERLAND TRANSPORT

In view of the risk involved in the sea navigation, the Japanese are now developing overland transport by inaugurating through traffic on the Shanghai-Nanking Tiensen-Pukow and Pekin Lolin Railway and the communication lines over Kinhwa and across Japan proper.

JAP BARRACKS & WORKS DESTROYED

According to the Chungking radio Chinese troops operating along the northern sector of the Hankow-Canton Railway recently destroyed the Japanese barracks and defence works at Pinshi-Fac in the neighbourhood of Yanyaohsi in North Hunan. Rails as well as dockyards were disrupted —A. P.

U. S PLANES BOMB PALERMO

Monday afternoon American four engined planes raided Palermo. Many buildings were either destroyed or damaged.

PENETRATION OF MARETH LINE

ALGIERS: The Eighth Army has penetrated the Mareth Line in the extreme north and is streaming forward to a main engagement.

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Public Notice

INSTRUCTIONS TO HOLDERS OF RATION CARDS

1. If you hold a ration card in your own name and work in a mill or Port Trust or Railway or other industrial concern employing a hundred or more persons—

Between March the 25th and March the 27th, take your card to the Company's Shop where the counterfoil will be removed and your name registered.

Thereafter when rationing begins you will get the grain supplies for yourself and your family from the Company's Shop at the usual times of grain distribution

2. If being a member of a co-operative society you wish to purchase your ration from it or if you wish to purchase your ration from a communal store between March the 25th and March the 29th, take your card to the person in charge of Society's Shop or the Store. If the Society or Store is authorised to sell rations, he will remove the counterfoil, enter up the name of the shop, and when rationing begins you will be able to get your grain from the shop

3. If you are not employed in any such concern nor a customer of such a society or store, then between March the 25th and March the 29th, you must take your ration card either to a Government Grain Shop or to one of the grocers authorised to sell rations.

Every such grocer will have a board over his shop:—

RATION SHOP
No.

You can see a list of the ration shops at any Police Station or any Rationing Office.

You can choose, whichever Government Grain Shop or whichever ration shop you like to get your grain from; but as the number of customers for each shop will be limited, if you have any particular shop you wish to deal with, take your ration card to that shop as early as possible

The shopman at the Government Grain Shop or other grain shop will remove the counterfoil of your ration card, enter the name of the shop in the card, and when rationing starts you will be entitled to the ration of grain for yourself and your family from that shop but from nowhere else.

If later you want to change your shop, go to the Rationing Office.

4. Your ration of grain will be, if you are an adult, i.e. over 12 years of age, one paylee a week. For children between 2 and 12 it will be 1/2 a paylee a week. You may take upto one quarter in wheat, three quarters in rice and three quarters in bajri as you may wish.

5. Arrangements for millhands and the like to get an extra half paylee from the Mill Shops etc., will be made after rationing starts.

6. If you do not make your own chapattis but eat baker's bread, you will be able to get, instead of wheat, a bread ticket, on which your baker will provide you with so much bread.

The shopkeeper from whom you purchase wheat will give you free of charge a bread ticket for the quantity of wheat in exchange for which you wish to have bread.

7. Do not forget to take back your ration card after the shopman has removed the counterfoil and written in the name of the shop for every week you will have to show your Ration Card to get your supplies.

8. If you do not cook your own meals, but take them in or from an eating house, you may by mutual agreement deposit your ration card with the eating house so that the owner may collect your rations and supply you with meals.

You can get a copy of these instructions at any Police Station or Rationing Office on showing your Ration card.

KOLHAPUR GOVERNMENT SERVICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from suitable candidates stating qualifications, age, caste and domicile etc. together with copies of testimonials so as to reach the undersigned before the 31st March 1943 for the following posts:—

(1) Superintendent, O'Brien Technical Institute, Kolhapur, in the grade of Rs. 150-10-250.
Applying candidates should either be graduates in Engineering or hold a good diploma (D.M.E.) in Engineering. Persons with teaching experience preferred.

(2) Manager, Jail Industries, Kolhapur, in the grade of Rs. 125-5-175.
Applying candidates must have the necessary qualification and experience to run an industrial workshop specialising in small handicrafts, handloom, weaving etc.

Preference will be given to Kolhapur State Subjects. Higher starting pay may be given to deserving candidates

JUDICIAL MINISTER,
Kolhapur State.
(3819)

Public Notices

CENTRAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from Scheduled Caste Candidates for posts of Engineering Subordinates in Central Public Works Department for employment in Behar, Bengal, Assam and Orissa in the scale of Rs. 70-5-150 EB-10-200. Higher pay in the scale will be offered according to qualifications and experience. Applications stating age, qualifications and full particulars about experience should reach the undersigned not later than the 1st April, 1943. Length of service in Government Departments including State Railways and in other bodies such as Municipalities, Private Firms etc. should be specified separately.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
Central P.W.D., New Delhi.
(3830)

THE MODERN MILLS, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a GENERAL MEETING of the holders of debentures of the abovenamed Company secured by a Trust Deed, dated the 30th day of November, 1935 and made between the said Company of the one part and Dattatraya Narayan Sirur and Pingle Venkat Rama Reddy as Trustees of the other part will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Temple Bar Building, 70, Forbes Street, Fort, Bombay, on MONDAY, the 19th day of April, 1943, at 1-15 P. M. (S.T.) for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the subjoined Resolution as Extraordinary Resolution in accordance with provisions contained in the Fifth Schedule to the said Trust Deed.

RESOLUTION.

"That this meeting of the holders of the debentures of the Modern Mills, Ltd. secured by a Trust Deed dated the 30th day of November, 1935 hereby assents to, approves and sanctions the modification of the rights of the holders of the said debentures and of the provisions of the said Trust Deed and the debentures (a) by agreeing that the rate of interest on the principal monies payable under the said debentures secured by the said Trust Deed shall as from the first day of May, 1943 be 5% per annum in lieu of 6-1/2% per annum; (b) by extending the date for repayment of the said debentures from the first day of November, 1947 to the first day of November 1952 and (c) by accepting a modification of the Company's right to redeem all or any of the debentures under Clause 29 of the Trust Deed so that the first date on which such option can be exercised shall be the first day of November, 1947 in lieu of the first day of May, 1942, such modifications having been proposed by the Company and assented to by the present Trustees and hereby authorises such Trustees to concur with the Company in executing an agreement for effecting the above and other purposes in the form of the draft submitted to the Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereon with such variations or additions, if any, as may be deemed requisite or expedient and may be approved by the present Trustees."

A copy of the proposed draft Agreement may at any time during business hours before the Meeting be inspected at the Office of the Company.

By Order of the Board,
N. SIRUR & CO., LTD.,
Managing Agents,
V. N. CHANDAVARKAR,
Managing Director.

Bombay, 12th March, 1943.

N.B.—Holders of Bearer Debentures proposing to attend the Meeting must bring with them all their Bearer Debenture Bonds. (3832)

Legal Notices

NOTICE

I, the undersigned, pleader HARSHADRAI S. SHUKLA, residence at Khadia gate, Ahmedabad for and on behalf of my client KANTILAL DALSUKHRAM RAVAL residence of Viramgam, now residence at Maninagar, Ahmedabad. And under his instructions, I hereby give this notice for the information of the public and all concerned, that my client owns two shares of THE BROACH FINE COUNTS SPG. & WG. CO. LTD. BROACH, bearing No. 4797 and 4798. But as he has Lost the original shares, certificates, he has applied to the said company for issuing duplicates. So if found please send to me at the above address. Moreover if any body has any right, title or interest over the said shares, or if any encumbrance be there, please inform the company of same in writing WITHIN A MONTH OF THIS NOTICE. Failing which please NOTE THAT THE DUPLICATE SHARES WILL BE ISSUED BY THE COMPANY TO MY CLIENT and any objection taken thereafter will not be considered. 24th March 1943.

(Sd.) HARSHADRAI S. SHUKLA,
B.A. LL.B. (Pleader).
Ahmedabad.
1168

Public Notices

ORIENTAL GOVT. SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD.

NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the loss of Policy numbered 692706 on the life of Jayant Ganesh Deokule of Bombay. Duplicate Policy will be issued unless objection is lodged with us within one month from this date

(Sd/-) H. E. JONES,
Manager.

Bombay 23rd Mar. 1943. 1172

Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. IBRAHIM PRADHAN MISTRY has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client free from encumbrances All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby rquired to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Yusuf Building, Churchgate Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of land being plot No. X, situate, lying and being at Lady Jamshedji Road in the City and Island and Sub-Registration District of Bombay containing on actual admeasurement three thousand one hundred and ninety-eight decimal seventy-three square yards or hereabouts together with the messuage, tenement, dwelling houses and structures thereon and known as "Pradhanwadi" and egistered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 1514 part, Cadastral Survey No. 1/643 of Mahim Division and in the books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under G Ward Nos. 4915(1) (2), 4916(2) and (2A), 4916(4). Street Nos. 150E, 148A, 244AA, 150 to 150D, 244C and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by Lady Jamshedji Road, on or towards the West by property bearing C. S. No. 640 of Mahim Division, on or towards the North by property bearing C. S. No. 644 of Mahim Division and on or towards the South by property bearing C. S. No. 642 of Mahim Division.

Dated this 24th day of March, 1943.

NAGINDAS HOOSEINALLY & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
3833

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that PURSHOTTAM MOROBA SHROFF, RAMRAO PURSHOTTAM SHROFF, and SHAMRAO PURSHOTTAM SHROFF have contracted to sell to my client the property hereinbelow described. All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, gift, sale, trust, lease, lien, charge, exchange, possession, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at his Office at Picket Road Kalbadevi, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same, if any shall be considered to have been absolutely waived

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground of the quit and ground rent tenure together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, containing by admeasurement 140 sq. yds., or thereabouts and according to Cadastral Survey Register 146 sq. yds situate, lying and being at First Carpenter Street, without the Fort of Bombay, registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's Old No. 1684, Collector's last Rent Roll No. 8806, Collector's Rent Roll No. 3624, Old Survey No. 461, Laughton's Survey No. 5203 and C. S. No. 3097, Bhuleshwar Division and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under Ward 5(c) No. 6544, St. No. 55 and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by a Sweeper's passage, on or towards the West by 1st Carpenter Street, on or towards the North formerly by the property of Hurji Mukundji but now of S. S. Chavathe and on or towards the South formerly by the property of Hurji Shimaji but now of Arya mane known as Krishna Niwas.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 1943
CHHOTALAL JEKISONDAS GHIA,
Purchaser's Advocate.
3847

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that BHIMJI PREMJI, HEMRAJ PREMJI, NURSEY MOHUNJI, VIRJI PERAJ and RAMJI TEJPAL, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants the present Trustees of the deed of Trust, dated the 8th day of December, 1931 and made between Bhimji Premji, Hemraj Premji and Nursey Mohunji of the One Part and Bhimji Premji, Nursey Monunji, Kessowji Damji and Virji Peraj of the Other Part have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 35, Dalal Street, within the Fort of Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground together with all the messuage tenements bungalow chawl outhouses, coachhouse, privies, wells and other buildings and erections and all trees and hereditaments standing thereon, situate, lying and being at Thana (Pachpakhadi) in Pot Tukdi or Taluka Salsette in Tukdi or District Thana in the registration Sub-District of Thana admeasuring 18 acres and 12-1/4 Gunthas be the same little more or less bearing Survey Numbers, survey numbers formerly pot numbers etc. as follows:—

Entry No.	Survey No.	N.Pot No. formerly.	Paini No	Total.	Kharaba	Net area. Rs.	Akar as. ps.
2003	468A	1-2	0	5- 5	0-27	4-18	37-0-0
2004	468B non-agricultural Pot No. 5	0-5	0	0-32-1/2	—	0-32-1/2	0- 0-0
2005	469	1-2	0	6-27-1/2	0- 5-1/2	6-22	55- 0-0
2006	470	1-2-3	0	3- 8	0- 7-3/4	3-1/4	23- 8-0
2007	471A	1	0	2-19-1/4	0- 2-1/2	2-16-1/4	15-12-0
				18-12-1/4	1-2-3/4	17- 9-1/2	131- 4-0

No Hissa number is given to the abovementioned property and which premises are bounded as follows: That is to say on or towards the East by a road or passage, on or towards the West by the land of Khatri known as Khatri Bag, on or towards the South by the Bombay-Agra Road and on or towards the North by Rayley Tank. The land is not City Surveyed.

Bombay, Dated this 23rd day of March, 1943.

RANCHHODDAS & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
(3851)

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the OFFICIAL TRUSTEE of Bombay has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Tamarind House, 36, Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground lying, being and situate at Pali Hill, Bandra, in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra, in the Bombay Suburban District admeasuring according to the Collector's Sanad, dated 6th November, 1923, 3936 square yards be the same a little more or less bearing Non-agricultural Survey No. 74 in the village of Danda in the South Salsette Taluka together with the messuages, buildings and tenements thereon standing known as the Mount assessed by the Bandra Municipality under No. 49A, Pali Hill all of which premises are bounded as follows: on or towards the North by the property bearing Non-agricultural survey No. 75, on or towards the East by the property bearing survey No. 242, on or towards the South by the Pali Mala Road and on or towards the West by the Pali Hill Road.

Dated this 24th day of March, 1943.

PATHARE & LILADHAR.
Purchaser's Attorneys.
3822

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

TESTAMENTARY & INTESTATE JURISDICTION

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions, beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration of the property, credits, estates and effects of DALSUKHBHAI VEERCHAND, carrying on business at Bombay as Bidis (Indian cigarettes) Merchant of Bombay, Jain inhabitant, last residing at Kandewadi, Girgaum outside the Fort of Bombay, ... Deceased.

Bai LILAVATI, widow of Dalsukhbhai Veerchand of Bombay, Jain Inhabitant residing at Motiwala Mansion, 230 Upper Duncan Road, outside the Fort of Bombay. ..... Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased, are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Letters of Administration herein.

Witness Sir JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this 9th day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and forty-three and in the Seventh year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

(Sd.)
G. G. MAHADEVIA,
Prothonotary & Senior Master.

(Sd.)
K. K. DASTUR.

9th day of March, 1943.
Messrs. LAKHIA & CO.,
Petitioner's Attorneys.
3852.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ARDESHIR HORMASJI SACKLATWALLA, of Bombay Parsi Inhabitant and Miss BAI AI HORMASJI SACKLATWALLA also of Bombay Parsi Inhabitant, as the Administratrix of the estate of the deceased Edulji Hormasji Sacklatwalla have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust maintenance easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 35, Dalal Street, Examiner Press Building, Fort, Bombay within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land or ground together with the messuage, tenement of dwelling house or bungalow standing thereon situate, lying and being at Cleveland Road near the Flag Hill at Worli in the Island and Town of Bombay and in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 1125 square yards or thereabouts and Registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 967 New No. 4625 and New Survey No. 3226A and Assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under 'G' Ward No. 439 (3-3a) and Street No. 29, bearing Cadastral Survey No. 213 of the Lower Parel (Worli) Division and bounded as follows:—that is to say, On or towards the EAST by the Cleveland Road, on or towards the NORTH and WEST by the property of Khimji Assur Virji and on or towards the SOUTH by the Chapel of the Reverend Braz Fernandes

Dated this 23rd day of March, 1943.

HARIDAS & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
3853.

Auction Sales

MENESSE & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF 40 BALES EGYPTIAN COTTON.

Messrs. MENESSE & CO., will sell by public auction on WEDNESDAY the 24th March 1943 at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) at Cotton Depot Sewree near the Cotton Exchange Building by order of the Insurance offices concerned the abovementioned damaged cotton.

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Sarat Bose & Lala Shankerlal Taken To Coonoor

(THROUGH A. P. AND U. P.)
BANGALORE, March 23.

Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose and Lala Shankerlal, who had been under detention at Mercara, were brought to Bangalore from Mysore last evening and taken to Ootacamund.

From Ootacamund both of them will be removed to Coonoor where they will be interned.

Revolver Find

MIRAJ: Two revolvers are reported to have been found when the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Satara District, accompanied by some Police Inspectors and about a hundred policemen, conducted a search in several places at Kirloskarwadi Palus and Kundal. A number of arrests were made in this connection.

EIGHT ON TRIAL

Several persons have been arrested at Pandharpur on a charge of setting fire to the N. J. High School building. Charge-sheets have been framed against Messrs. Ramchandra Dattatreya Hardas, Anant Shankar Singh Rajput, Purshottam Shankar Advalkar, Hari Rangnath Udpat, Vasant Ganpat Bhosale and Baburao Ramchandra.

NASIK: Police raided a house at Sinnar, but nothing incriminating was recovered in the course of the search, states a report received here.

RELEASED ON PAROLE

NASIK: Dr. D. B. Khadikar, who has been detained as a security prisoner, was released from jail on parole for a fortnight to attend on his ailing wife.

Punjab Ban On Mahatma Fast News?

LAHORE: Questioned in the Punjab Assembly on Tuesday whether any restrictions had been imposed on the Punjab Press in regard to the news of Mahatma Gandhi's fast, Government replied in the negative, adding that they were not prepared to disclose in public interest, the nature of the instructions given to the Press Adviser on February 10. It was further stated that no action had been taken against any newspaper so far for not abiding by the instructions.

Security Demand On Sharda Press

CALCUTTA, March 22.

The Government of Bengal have passed an order demanding a security of Rs. 500 under the Indian Press Emergency Powers Act from the new Sharda Press in connection, it is alleged with printing and publishing an objectionable document.—United Press.

Late Mr. Maneckji Pestonji Bharucha

"The Bombay Chronicle" regrets to announce the death of Mr. Manekji Pestonji Bharucha which occurred at his residence at Khetwadi on Monday evening. The deceased was 84 years old at the time of his death.

The late Mr. Bharucha was one of the oldest share-brokers of the city.

The deceased like his cousin, the late Sir Shapurji Bharucha, was philanthropic in spirit, and was always free with his purse whenever the poor of the community knocked at his door. Most of his charities were given unostentatiously.

He was a trustee of the Cama Baug, and was associated with several Parsi institutions.

UNITY MOVE IN BILLAWAR COMMUNITY: An informal meeting of some of the workers of the "Billawar's Institutions' in Bombay was held on Sunday last, at the premises of Solomon and Co. in order to consider ways and means to unite the different sections of the Billawar community in Bombay.

WM. PHILLIPS IN TRAVANCORE

TRIVANDRUM, March 23.

A deputation of Travancore cashewnut merchants waited on Mr. William Phillips last evening.

Mr. Phillips left Trivandrum at 8 this morning for the game sanctuary. Mr. Phillips will be reaching Kottayam at noon to-day after visiting the Ceremic Factory at Kundara en route. Later in the afternoon he will arrive at Thekkada, 70 miles from Kottayam, cruise on the Periyar Lake and have tea in the launch and spend the night at Edapalayam. To-morrow morning he will leave Edapalayam and get back to Kottayam and later leave for Alwaye, reaching there at 7 p.m. He will leave Alwaye day after tomorrow morning on his onward journey.—A. P.

Chinese Mission Visit V. J. T. Institute

The Chinese Educational Mission, led by Dr. Y. H. Ker, visited the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, Matunga and the Haffkine Institute at Parel, on Tuesday.

At the former Institute they were received by Mr. P. N. Joshi Principal, while at the latter Lt. Col. S. S. Sokhey, took them round. The Mission evinced keen interest in the various departments.

The Mission left for Hyderabad on Tuesday night.

Leave Under Clause 12 Revoked

GHATKOPAR HINDU SABHA DISPUTE

(Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Chagla).

Nanchand S. Shah ... Appellant (Original Plaintiff).
Versus
Amratlal L. Khokhani and Others ... Respondents (Original Defendants).

The defendants were trustees and secretaries respectively of the Ghatkoper Hindu Sabha consisting of more than a hundred members and founded in 1926 for social and general uplift.

The plaintiff filed this suit for a declaration that the resolutions dated 5th November, 1939 and 18th February 1940 were void in law on the ground that their effect was a change in the constitution of the Sabha by making defendants 1 to 5 who he submitted were only temporary trustees, the permanent trustees, and that the necessary formalities of notice and or requisite majority had not been complied with. As the resolutions in question had been passed at Ghatkoper outside the territorial limits of the original jurisdiction of the Bombay High Court, the plaintiff obtained leave under clause 12 of the Letters Patent.

The defendants applied by Chamber Summons for revocation of leave on the ground that no part of the cause of action had arisen in Bombay and all the defendants did not reside or carry on business in Bombay. Mr. Justice Kania, on 13th October 1942, ordered that the leave granted to the plaintiff under clause 12 be revoked and the suit be placed on board for dismissal as the main dispute was as to the validity of the resolutions which were passed at Ghatkoper and as all the trustees except one resided at Ghatkoper. From this order the plaintiff appealed.

Their Lordships dismissed the appeal with costs.

Sir Jamshedji Kanga instructed by Messrs. Doshi and Co., appeared for the appellant.

Mr. Motilal C. Setalvad and Mr. V. K. Chhatrapati instructed by Messrs. Mohile Parekh and Maneklal appeared for the respondent.

All-India Weather

POONA, March 23.

The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at eight hours on 19-3-43:—

Allahabad 96 64 0, Bombay 88 77 0, Calcutta 95 72 0, Cawnpore 97 63 0, Cuttack 99 71 0, Darjeeling 57 49 0, Delhi 95 61 0, Dehra Dun 86 60 0, Jacobabad 103 63 0, Karachi 81 73 0, Lahore 94 67 0, Lucknow 96 61 0, Madras 86 65 0, Nagpur 100 69 0, Patna 95 70 0, Peshawar 88 61 0, Shillong 69 55 0, Simla 69 64 0.—A. P.

City And Suburbs

TO-DAY

Hindu: Falgun Vad 3, 1999.
Muslim: Rabi-ul-Avval 17, 1362
Parsi: Meher 21, 1312.
Sunrise: 7-41 a.m. Sunset 7-49 p.m.
Hightide: 1-16, 13-43. Lowtide: 7-20, 19-31.
Municipal Standing Committee at 2-30 p.m. (B.T.).

AMUSEMENTS

REGAL "Moonlight in Havana" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CAPITOL "Ship Ahoy" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
ROXY "Kismet" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Yad" 5, 7-30 and 10
MAJESTIC "Basant" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
KOHINOOR "Ten O'Clock" 4, 7 and 10
HIND MATA "Beti" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
CITY LIGHT—"Pardesi" 4-30, 7-15 and 10
NEW WEST END "Zamindar" 3, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EROS "Marriage on Ice" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
IMPERIAL—"Jawab" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
SWASTIK—"Lalaji" 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE "Fariad" 5, 7-30 and 10
BROADWAY "Chitralekha" 4-30, 7-15 and 10
EXCELSIOR "Ships With Wings" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
STRAND "No Limit" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
SUPER "Gora Kumbhar" 4-15, 7 and 9-45
EDWARD—"Naya Sansar" 4, 6-30 and 10
AURORA "The Great Dictator" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PALACE "They Died With Their Boots On" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA "Khan Daan" 3, 6-15 and 9-30 p.m.
MINERVA—"Sharda" 5, 7-30 and 10
KRISHNA "Kashinath" 5, 7-30 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL "Pahili Manglagour" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Kaljug" 4-45, 7-15 and 10
PLAZA "Pahila Palna" 4-30, 7-15 and 10
METRO "Mrs. Miniver" 3-15, 6-25 and 9-30

DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

STOCK EXCHANGE: Lecture on "War, Finance and Taxation" under the auspices of the Seth Shantilal Jamnadas Morarji Smarak Fund, at 6 p.m. at the Stock Exchange by Prof. K. T. Shah.

PROGRESSIVE GROUP: Members and their guests are invited to a "strictly" Tea Dance at the Taj (Breakfast Room) to-day (Wednesday), at 6 p.m. Besides special cabarets there will be several other attractive items for non-dancers.

INDIAN LANGUAGES NEWSPAPERS ASSOCIATION: Emergency meeting of the Executive Committee of the Association at 3 p.m. to discuss the cancellation of the quotas by the Government and Distribution plan of rationed newsprint to newspapers.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Short talk on "The Ocean of Theosophy" followed by questions and answers, Jehangir Wadia Bldg. opposite Flora Fountain at 5-15 p.m.

MAZDAZNAN: On "The Science of Fasting" at Mazdaznan Hall, Industrial Assurance Building, opposite Churchgate Station at 6 p.m. by Mother Gloria C. Mrs. Clarence Gasque.

NATIONAL WAR FRONT: Meeting of the students and members of the staff of Habib High School, Dongri at 4-15 p.m. Mr. L. A. Ansari, Propaganda Officer, National War Front, will speak on "The System of Education in Germany".

FOUND: A third class season ticket issued in the name of Mr. Osman Mahomed has been found. The owner may obtain it on proper identification from the Secretary to the Editor of the "Chronicle" between 2 and 5-30 p.m. on any week day.

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS (INDIA): Talk on "acquisition of parts of properties for street widening" by S. V. Desai at 6 p.m.

RED CROSS WEEK COLLECTIONS.
The sum raised by Bombay Province in response to the Red Cross Week appeal is likely to exceed 25 lakhs.

BOMBAY SINDHI ASSOCIATION: The Hon. Jt. Secretary, The Bombay Sindhi Association, writes:—"The Bombay Sindhi Association is authorised to receive the ration cards from all Sindhies in Bombay to make provision for foodstuffs. All Sindhis are requested to submit their ration cards for necessary registration before 29th March, 1943, from 10 to 12 noon and 4 to 7 p.m. daily, in the office of the Association."

FOUND WITH 2,000 CONGRESS BULETINS

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Lalji Kalyanji who was arrested by the Special Branch, C.I.D. on December 25 last, for possessing and distributing Congress bulletins at Kamatipura, Bombay was awarded five months' R.I. by Mr. I. S. Haji, Presidency Magistrate of Mazagaon Court, to-day.

According to prosecution, it is alleged the accused was arrested with 2,000 Congress bulletins in different languages. He went to Kamatipura with the bundles of these bulletins in a motor car, when the car was stopped in front of a house in the locality a C.I.D. man who was watching there approached the car and seeing bundles of paper asked the driver to take the car to the C.I.D. Office, where on being opened the bundles were found containing Congress bulletins dated December 25. The accused and the driver whose name was Hazratzul Abdul Gafoor were placed under arrest.

The Magistrate gave benefit of doubt to the driver and acquitted him, while the accused Lalji was sentenced as stated above.

SIR CURRIMBHOY'S RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

BOMBAY, March 23.

The Working Committee of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League has accepted the resignation of Sir Currimbhoy Ibrahim from the membership of the Committee. The Organising Committee unanimously elected Dr. Abdul Hamid Kazi as the Salar Suba i.e. G.O.C. of the National Guards of Bombay Province.

A resolution of thanks was passed appreciating the services of Mr. Husain Beg Mohamed, the ex-Salar Suba.—Orient Press.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

WEDNESDAY, March 24.

Delhi I.—Programme

5 p.m. Lakshman Prasad. 5-20 For women. 6-45 Airvoice Orchestra. 7 Kahan ki rah nikli hai kahan se—6. 7-15 Shamshadbai. 7-30 Lakshman Prasad. 7-45 For villagers only. 8-30 The voice of America. 8-45 Gauhar Sultan. 8-55 Amar Singh. 9-45 Bismillah and party. 10 "Tufan". 10-45 Shamshadbai.

Bombay I.—Programme

8 a.m. Sawiaramji. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-30 Mumtaz Begam. 8-40 Krishnabai Bahutule. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 Drut Khayal. 9-20 Geets. 9-30 V. M. Hindalekar. 9-40 H. V. Kadlur. 9-50 Ramesh Desai. 12-30 p.m. Marathi bhavgeets. 12-45 News in Marathi. 12-50 News in Gujarati. 12-55 News in Hindustani. 1 Mixed Melodies. 1-30 News in English. 1-40 Lunch-hour programme. 5 Tomorrow. 5-5 H. V. Kadlur. 5-25 Krishnabai Bahutule. 5-35 Ramesh Desai. 5-45 Mumtaz Begam. 5-55 Local news. 6 Nana Ani Mani. 6-30 News in English. 6-40 News in Hindustani. 6-45 Jang ka rang. 6-50 H. V. Kadlur. 7 Nai Kahani. 7-15 Melodious mixture. 7-30 V. M. Hindalekar. 7-45 News in Marathi. 7-55 News in Gujarati. 8-5 Mumtaz Begam. 8-20 In the news. 8-25 "Greek Anniversary". a talk in English. 8-30 The voice of America. 8-45 "Rationing" a talk by R. N. Samarth. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News commentary in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B.B.C. News relay. 9-45 Air Orchestra. 10 V. M. Hindalekar. 10-7 Mumtaz Begam. 10-15 Krishnabai Bahutule. 10-20 Ramesh Desai. 10-25 Jagannathbuwa Pandharpurkar.

A. I. P. ORCHESTRA: Air Orchestra conducted by Walter Kaufmann will broadcast to-day (Wednesday), at 10-05 p.m. an orchestral suite, "Potop" (Music to a play by Tcheckoo) by Walter Kaufmann.

Mr. R. N. Samarth, Controller of Rationing, will broadcast on "Rationing" from the Bombay Station of All-India Radio at 8-45 p.m. on Wednesday, March 24.

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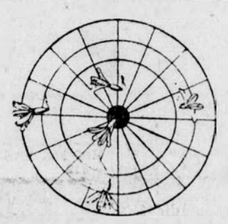
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CHURCHILL'S "PLANS"

Mr. Churchill's long broadcast was divided into three parts, war, post-war reconstruction in Britain and his outline of post-war international relations. And in none of these was he at all as inspiring as the British Press, according to Reuter's summaries, claims him to have been. It was an interesting address but by no means epoch-making in its positive aspects. Mr. Churchill began by striking a note of "sober caution" as regards the war. He is practically certain that Hitler will not be beaten this year. Worse than that he is not at all sure that the war will be over in Europe even by the end of 1944; it may quite possibly drag on well into 1945. This can hardly constitute a message of hope to the Russians who may seriously wonder whether Mr. Churchill was not hinting at another and a long postponement of the invasion of Europe. But if the Russians must be disappointed, the Chinese must be stunned. According to Mr. Churchill's programme China cannot expect any appreciable relief to her long and grievous sufferings until 1946. China, ill-supplied and ill-equipped, must fight and suffer for another three years exactly as she has done for the last five years. The correctness of the strategy involving the crushing of Hitler first need not be questioned to condemn Mr. Churchill's plans as a deplorable neglect of China, an ally who, in honour and morality, deserves something far more than what the British Prime Minister proposes for her.

More than half of his broadcast to the world (sic) was devoted to his outline of the shape of things to come in Britain after the war. It was an interesting "blue print" of social and economic reconstruction, which seemed to us to be more an attempt to pull up than to go forward. A good deal of discussion had been going on in Britain regarding a socio-economic revolution that was inevitable after the war. Mr. Churchill has sought to choke it off by yielding to some of the points. It is, however, an internal affair of the people of Britain, although one cannot help recalling that during the last war, too, Mr. Churchill had virtually proclaimed himself a convert to state socialism in some aspects of industrial life. But what is not an affair of the people of Britain alone is Mr. Churchill's tribute to his nation. There is a difference between patriotic pride in one's own people and extolling it as if it were a or the master race, the crime of Nazi Germany. Mr. Churchill's encomiums create the impression that he believes the British to be a *'herren volk'*.

This is no exaggeration. For how else is it possible to explain his views about the Empire and his reiteration of a theory long-discredited as absurd and utterly ludicrous, the theory of "trusteeship"? History—and, we admit, we do not include in it occultism—offers no trace as to the identity of the authority that bestowed upon the British people the trusteeship of the colonies unless, indeed, it be the City of London glorified by British statesmen to the status of Divine Providence. And yet Mr. Churchill quite solemnly proclaims the British to be the trustees of the Colonies! This imperialist mentality of Mr. Churchill furnishes incidentally the clue to the most noteworthy and most remarkable fact about Mr. Churchill's broadcast. He spoke from a carefully prepared manuscript for a whole hour on British and international post-war problems and there is not one single word about the Atlantic Charter. It was not mentioned at all. The Atlantic Charter, which Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt met in the Atlantic to formulate and which was proclaimed to the world as the great foundation of the future Democratic World Order, has been deliberately omitted by one of its own two architects in discussing post-war world reconstruction. The reason is obvious. The Atlantic Charter, although not a complete denial of it, is certainly in conflict with the ideology of Empire. Mr. Churchill cannot accept such a situation. And since the Americans particularly insist on damning Imperialism, Mr. Churchill has repudiated the Atlantic Charter by omitting to recognise even its existence side by side with insisting upon Britain's rights over the Empire as—a trustee.

Nor has he only dropped the Atlantic Charter. He has offered an alternative. He contemplates an organisation of world states which may be formed in some remote future but which, indeed, may not come into being at all. But even if it is not born and, quite certainly, even before it is born it is to give birth to twins: a Council of Europe and a Council of Asia. This miracle of maternity has the makings of a sinister destiny. What are these Councils and how are they to work? The European Council will have, of course, the three great "European" Powers, the U. S. A. Great Britain and Russia, along with groups of smaller nations. But the Asiatic Council because of their "possessions", will again have on it the principal European Powers plus such others as Holland and France. The idea is plain. Europe will dominate the whole of Eastern Hemisphere, at any rate, but Asiatic countries such as China will be excluded from having any voice in European affairs.—incidentally it is to be noted that in Mr. Churchill's speech what have hitherto been generally regarded as the four leaders of the United Nations have been reduced to three, Mr. Churchill having very deftly removed China from the list. It is a clever way, characteristic of the cynicism of "civilised" Europe of maintaining European Imperialist domination over Asia, to say nothing of Africa. But it is patently worse than even the old League of Nations, which, in theory at least, made no distinction between European and Asiatic countries and whose charter to the world, the Covenant, even though cruelly disregarded, was not dropped altogether. We are not surprised that Mr. Churchill's plans have evoked no response in other countries.

Lease-Lend And India

We strongly support the demand made by Mr. G. L. Mehta, President of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry, asking the Government of India to publish without delay all relevant data in connection with the aid received by India under Lease-Lend as well as the reciprocal or "reverse" aid provided by India to American troops and air force in India. The whole matter is shrouded in obscurity and the Finance Members's budget speech did little to throw light upon the subject. All that he stated was that the question of a direct Reciprocal Agreement with U. S. A. was under the consideration of the Government and that the total expenditure in reciprocal aid during the years 1942-44 amounted to about Rs. 24 crores. He added that the estimated value of Lease-Lend supplies already received in India and utilised for her own purposes exceeded the aggregate provision for reciprocal aid. He refrained from mentioning any figures and the public was left to infer what it chose. Subsequently, however, the U. S. office of War Information announced that the value of Lease-Lend aid extended to India from the inception upto the beginning of this year aggregated 295 million dollars or nearly 100 crores of rupees. What is more astounding, Mr. Stettinus, U. S. Lease-Lend Administrator, declared only the other day that the Lease-Lend aid to India amounted to 595 million dollars upto March 1st. We agree with Mr. Mehta that it is open to serious objection that the public in this country should be left entirely in the dark about such vital matters and even the reasonable and repeated requests for mere information should not be met by the Government with the extraordinary result that they get such information for the first time through American sources and draw what conclusions they can! In no other country is such a topsy-turvy and preposterous arrangement possible. Moreover, the information even from American sources is not all the same and if Mr. Stettinus' figure is correct, the Lease-Lend aid to India is nearly double that mentioned previously and may well go up above 200 crores of rupees! It is essential for some vigilant member of the Central Legislature immediately to put short notice questions and ask for correct and authentic information on this point. Nor is that all. For what purpose, as Mr. G. L. Mehta pertinently asked, is this aid utilised? Is it strictly for the furtherance of Indian defence or is it in pursuance of the Burma campaign and the use of India as a base of operations for the United Nations? We do not want a free gift from America nor shirk the duty of defending India which by the way seems to be everybody's business except that of an Indian. But all that the Indian public insists is that, apart altogether from the question of control of defence policy and of the army, the expenditure incurred in respect of Lease-Lend must be demonstrably shown to be in India's defence. We are in favour of a direct agreement with U.S.A. for Lease-Lend but the Indian legislature, commercial community and the public are surely entitled to know what are its financial consequences and its fiscal implications.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Japs And Australia

Says Mr. Forde, Australia's Army Minister: "....the Japanese are pouring reinforcements into all the island bases they have captured. It can only be assumed that when they are ready the Japanese will launch an attack on Australia more ferocious than any yet experienced in the Pacific war." Mr. Forde takes an essentially alarmist view of the situation. The Australians and the Americans in the South-west Pacific are far stronger strategically as well as in resources than they have ever been since the Jap drive was stopped about a year ago. But Mr. Forde's fears are not altogether unfounded. For, if Allied successes and serious Japanese losses in the last six months constitute a deterrent, the situation in Burma plus Mr. Churchill's latest broadcast must act as an encouragement to Japan to try something substantial, even though not a large scale invasion of Australia, in the South-west Pacific area.

Nominal Reduction

The Finance Member's agreeing to reduce the Vanaspati Excise Duty from Rs. 7 to Rs. 5 is doubtless welcome so far as it goes. But the concession does not go far enough. The tax on a foodstuff like this should either be nominal or be removed entirely. This is particularly necessary in the present times when the cost of living has shot up to unprecedented heights and the earnings of millions remain far below. Pure ghee being now forbiddingly dear to the poor, they have largely resorted to Vanaspati or vegetable ghee. To tax such a foodstuff is against every canon of taxation. But many obnoxious things are possible and complacently passed in a country where salt is taxed even in peace times.

Paper Economy

The recommendations of the Central Board of Education regarding paper economy deserve to be seriously considered by all concerned. The reduction in the number of books recommended by Text Book Committees should, of course, be regarded as a war time measure. But the greatest care should be taken to see that books are recommended mainly on educational grounds, the question of cost being subordinate, though not negligible. It is also desirable that text books in use in schools and colleges should not be changed merely for the sake of variety. As regards examinations, internal ones in schools and colleges can be appreciably reduced in number. But as regards university examinations more can be gained, as we have pointed out before, by the setting of shorter papers than by reducing the number of examinations.

Hand-Made Paper

So much about the economy of paper already available. But why not also concentrate efforts on increasing the supply of paper, particularly hand-made paper? Hand-made paper is no longer in an experimental stage. The All-India Village Industries Association and other bodies have shown that quite satisfactory qualities of paper can be produced at a reasonable cost through simple hand processes. It behoves Provincial Governments and the States to explore to the full the possibilities of hand-made paper.

SIND TO RESCUE OF DEFICIT PROVINCES

Exportable Wheat Surplus To Be Bought On Behalf Of Central Govt.

KARACHI, March 23.

The Sind Government will buy all exportable surplus of wheat on behalf of the Central Government for transfer to Governments of deficit provinces, says a Press note issued this evening announcing the raising of the control price of wheat in producing areas of Sind to rupees seven per maund.

The Press note reiterates that private export of wheat and wheat products, as also of rice, jowar, bajri, gram and barley will no longer be allowed in any circumstances.

The Press note adds:—All those, whether producers, traders or consumers who, for self-interest, profit or for any other reason, hoard commodities vital to the war effort in any part of India are nothing better than saboteurs. Food, above all things is a vital necessity to keep India's war industries and war workers going. Sind has a surplus of nearly all food grains and its chief contribution to the war effort must be to make the maximum quantity of food available to deficit areas of India.—A. P.

Opposition To Azad Punjab Scheme

LAHORE, March 23.

Advice to the Hindus to support the opposition of the Western Punjab to the Azad Punjab scheme of the Akalis is given by Raja Narendra Nath, President of the Punjab Hindu Sabha in a statement to the press.

Raja Narendra Nath urges on Hindu leaders of the Punjab to attend in large numbers the Conference which is being held at Gujranwala on March 28 under the presidentship of Sardar Kharaksingh.—A. P.

Pope Down With Bronchitis

LONDON, March 23.

The German Radio reports from the Vatican City that the Pope is suffering from bronchitis. His condition this morning showed improvement and gives rise to no anxiety, added the announcer.

The Rome Radio announced that the Pope's public and private audiences to-day and to-morrow have been cancelled.—Reuter.

SIMON ON TURKISH MESSAGE

LONDON, March 23.

The first business in the House of Lords to-day was an announcement by the Lord Chancellor Viscount Simon that a message had been received from the President of the Grand National Assembly of Turkey expressing "in moving terms the support of the Turkish National Assembly for the policy of Anglo-Turkish friendship."

Viscount Simon's announcement was heard with much interest and he was authorised to prepare a suitable reply.—Reuter.

War Finance And Taxation

PROF. K. T. SHAH'S LECTURE

In the course of a lecture, delivered last evening under the auspices of Seth Shantilal Jamnadas Morarji Samarak Fund under the chairmanship of Mr. K. R. P. Shroff, at the Bombay Stock Exchange, Prof. K. T. Shah laid great stress on the vital importance of the subject, not only because of the vast sums involved, but also on account of the immense repercussions on India's national economy in the long run. Though India was dragged in the War only as an appendage of Britain, and without the free consent of her people, the Lecturer had no doubt that the real sympathies of the people of India lay on the side of the Allies. He had, indeed, no illusions regarding the pretensions and intentions of some of the leading champions on the side of national freedom and democratic Government. Nor was he unmindful of the bitter experience of our past in the last War. Nevertheless, in a war of ideologies, such as the present one, the Professor felt convinced designing imperialism would not always succeed in hoodwinking its allies, and side-tracking the march of humanity to suit its own selfish ends.

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While fully aware, that India's lack of a truly national government, commanding the fullest confidence of the nation, made her contribution much below what it could have been, Prof. Shah considered the contribution already made was far more substantial than that of any of the United Nations, other than the Big Four. In his view, the problem of war financing in this country consisted, not merely in mobilising all available resources to the main purpose of winning the War; but also in so working the war financing measures, as effectively would guard against any unduly handicap being created upon the country's fullest and quickest possible industrialisation, once this struggle was ended. This was the more necessary, not only because of the lack of full understanding and sympathy with Indian national ambitions in those who had the reins of the country's government in their hands; but also because those ambitions were likely in many respects to go counter to those of her present rulers'. This War the learned lecturer contrasted with all previous struggles particularly in that it involved a much larger destruction of the material wealth and the means of its production, than loss of life or limb to the human factor engaged in hostilities. At the end of the War, the need for rehabilitation and restoration, or reconstruction, of countries like Britain, with depleted resources, would be too great to allow them to view with complaisance the efforts of younger countries intent upon developing their own resources to the utmost. Whether or not the hopes of recouping themselves by fresh aggrandisement, annexation, or indemnity materialises, from countries like Britain, India has no hope of obtaining any such relief for her contribution to the common struggle. She can, therefore, the least afford to be indifferent to the precise ways and means of carrying on the struggle.

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The problem of financing the War, accordingly, crystallised itself, Prof. Shah said, into a fourfold task: To find the additional moneys needed to meet our own very materially expanded war costs; to provide ways and means for such war supplies as were procured in India for the use of the British,—and, recently, of American forces in this country, or fighting in other theatres of the War; to maintain, at the same time, the country's normal economic life and activity, without obstructing the tide of development flowing into the land because of war-time prosperity; and laying sound foundations for post-war resumption of the onward march of economic development.

After casting a brief glance at the size of the effort already being made, and illustrating his remarks by citing a few figures, the speaker scrutinised the agreement made between the British and the Indian Governments for distributing the burdens of the War. He took emphatically the view that the burden cast upon India under this agreement was disproportionate to any concern India had in the struggle, her ability, or expectation of recouping herself eventually in one form or another.

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Prof. Shah next reviewed the methods, commonly in use, for financing a war of these dimensions. He considered providing for this War mainly out of current production (taxation) to be impossible even for the richest community, however, inequitable it may be to pass on any part of such unproductive burdens upon future generations. For a country so habitually living below the standard as India it was unthinkable. Paying from accumulated wealth inherited from the past was equally out of the question; while the use of credit, borrowing-abroad had, he felt, but a limited possibility. Taxation,—open as well as concealed; borrowing at home, and supplementing by Lease-and-Lend contributions, were, accordingly, the principal means open for such financing.

Prof. Shah promised to discuss these several methods of financing the War in the next ecture. He concluded the present one by examining the question of the liability of India to join in this outcome of Europeans hates and rivalries. Ethically, he saw no justification for India being tied on to the British imperialist chariot in this war, unless and until her people, through their chosen representatives consented to participate. Legally too, he questioned if India could be justly expected to join in the struggle notwithstanding the change in the constitution since 1920. The difficulty was solved by the device of an agreement between the Indian and the British Government, which tacitly assumed India's obligation to join, and actually sought to simplify the allocation of the burdens, arising out of the War. A detailed survey of the actual methods adopted will be given in the next Lecture, to be delivered to-day at the same time and the same place

PLYWOOD INDUSTRY IN INDIA

Main Obstacle To Development

While there is ample scope for more plywood factories in India, the main obstacle to further development is the shortage of supplies of suitable timber species, which (except in a few areas) are not available in sufficient quantities to support a plywood mill. This aspect of the industry is discussed in a record just published by the Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun, on plywood manufacture in India.

The prospects of the industry in different parts of India are discussed, and information is given on all its aspects, including imports of plywood into India, the existing plywood factories in the country, possible areas for exploitation, manufacture of plywood tea chests, machinery required to equip a mill and manufacturing costs. Fairly exhaustive lists of timbers suitable and unsuitable for plywood are appended.

Urdu In Jaipur State

A largely attended meeting of the Jaipur State subjects residing in Bombay, was held under the auspices of the Rajputana Muslim Committee to protest against the action of the Jaipur Durbar in removing Urdu from official use in the State, the following resolution was unanimously passed:—

"This meeting of the Jaipur State subjects at present living in Bombay views with great indignation and alarm the arbitrary action of the Jaipur Durbar in abolishing Urdu and introducing Hindi in the State and records its emphatic protest against this. The meeting further requests the Durbar to review this decision in the light at its traditional policy of tolerance and restore the status quo of Urdu."

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION ELECTION

Mr. Gor To Be Congress Municipal Party's Candidate

The Congress Municipal Party is putting up Mr. N. J. Gor as their party candidate for the vacancy that has arisen in the Bombay Municipal Corporation from ward No. 18.

Mr. Gor is Chairman of Shree Jam Wire Products Co., Ltd., Presidency Life Insurance Co., Ltd., Presidency Provident and General Insurance Co., Ltd., Indian Industries Fair Co., Ltd. He is also President of Provident Insurance Companies Association, Hon. Secretary of the Indian Life Offices Association member of the Indian Merchants' Chamber Committee, Founder member of the Association of Indian Industries, member of the Central Committee of the All-India Manufacturer's organisation, Director Kokan Industries Ltd., Samasta Nagar Co-operative Bank Ltd., member of the Advisory Committee appointed by the Government of India and proprietor or Gor and Co. He has taken a leading part in establishing bangles, pins and screws industries in India.

Very recently he bought over an educational institution so that that institution might survive.

The safe arrival of the Ninth Division of the A. I. F. in Australia is announced in Canberra. The Ninth Division took part in the long siege of Tobruk.

Inflated Silver Price

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—The present price of ready silver quoted at Rs. 107-13 is extraordinarily high, even when we have allowed for a degree of inflation that may be accepted to have occurred in the Indian market. At any sensible estimate the price of silver in war time, with its attendant inflationary situation should not be above Rs. 40. The evils of an excessively high price of silver with the consequent profiteering transactions and unwholesome repercussions on war effort cannot be overstated. The danger of such an occurrence of excessively high price of silver and securities generally has also been apprehended in England and America and in the former country it has led to immediate Government action in rigidly limiting the amount of silver that an individual citizen can hold. And offenders of such a Government order have been severely punished by the Courts. By this means inflation in the silver market has been checked and even avoided. May I suggest that the Indian Government quickly takes up steps on lines similar to these and save us and the Allies from an awkward situation.—Yours, etc.,

D. H. N GURTOO.

KEYNES & BEVERIDGE

What Post-War Economic Development Trends

LONDON, March 22

By Reuter's city correspondent:

It is believed that the Keynes plan to which Mr. Churchill referred is actually four-fold.

Firstly multilateral clearing.

Secondly international commodity pools.

Thirdly an International Investment Board to develop backward countries and provide capital for financially poor countries generally, and

Fourthly an International Economic Planning Board.

Only the first comes within the Treasury's scope and this has been adopted as British policy but the multilateral currency scheme must refer to all others because they are fundamental to the success of any monetary machinery. Commodity pools would stabilise the 'Bancor' relative to goods as well as to gold. Mere clearing balances or overdrafts obviously are quite inadequate for major overseas investment and the clearing scheme would break down unless linked with some control over long-term as well as short term capital.

For Benefit Of China

Many in Washington independently favour such an International Investment Board for developing backward countries, especially China.

An International Economic Planning Board is equally linked to the currency plan because clearing balances and overdrafts could at best be stop-gaps to give nations time to rectify the underlying disequalities in their balances in payments by modifying tariffs and adjusting domestic price and wage costs, credit or economic policies or in the last resort altering exchange rates; this board is presumably the international authority which each participating country must consult when approaching the limit of its overdraft or maximum balance at the International Clearing House.

Actually each of these other three is vastly more important than currency. Given adequate arrangements thereon, particularly the fourth, any international currency system would be successful and without them none would. Nevertheless approaching then from the angle of international currency based on gold may politically and psychologically be advantageous.

BEVERIDGE GOT AWAY WITH IT!

Beveridge precisely similarly put the small cart before the three huge horses by "postulating" full employment, comprehensive health services and children's allowances while formally discussing the relatively unimportant subject of social insurance with which he was charged—and got away with it.

Party To Mr. Baig

A tea party was given by his friends and admirers to Mr. Rashid A. Baig, ex-Sheriff of Bombay, at Eros restaurant on Tuesday when Sir Chimanlal Setalvad presided. Mr. Adi Munshi and Mr. J. Modi eulogised the services rendered by Mr. Baig as Sheriff of Bombay. Sir Chimanlal Setalvad said Mr. Baig was the youngest person to be appointed Sheriff and had more than justified his appointment. Mr. Baig made a suitable reply. A silver vase was presented to Mr. Baig. After Mr. Baig and Mrs. Baig and the president were garlanded and a vote of thanks to Sir Chimanlal had been moved by Mr. Patel the function terminated.

Cotton Control

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—It has been reported that the Finance Member's warning to the Cotton Trade during the debate on the Finance Bill has come in for adverse criticism at the hands of interested parties. I feel it my duty to point out with all the emphasis at my command that there is undoubtedly a very unhealthy—and may I say dangerous—speculative tendency and say that the statements made cannot be supported by facts.

I do not think any one can challenge this one fact that in pre-war times the cotton speculator exploited the producer by flooding the market during the cotton season. He played huge selling orders far below the actual parity with spot cotton in up-country and far below the producer's cost of production. Distress and poverty among the peasant class affected, in these days, the Textile Trade so far that Mills had to sell piece-goods at unremunerative rates. In consequence of this ruthlessness of the speculator, the shareholders of Textile concerns received meagre dividends ranging between 1 to 2 per cent per annum on Block Capital and that too from a few sound concerns which in order to do this had to starve or underfeed their Depreciation and Reserve funds. Everyone knows how mills of the Currimbhoy group and several other concerns had to face liquidation. These discovered that among their new masters were people who came from the group of fortunate and successful speculators in the forward market who flourished at the cost both of the general public and the producer.

It is absurd to assert that the Cotton Trade in the Exchange Ring is simply following the trend in the Mill industry. Are we seriously told to believe that rates in this rise and fall every ten minutes, that mills buy spot cotton and sell cloth at this terrible speed? No, Sir, these kaleidoscopic changes on the Cotton Exchange cannot but be the result of anything other than the existence of a feverish speculative activity and deserve to be denounced in language stronger than that used by the Finance Member. I am prepared to admit that the war has brought prosperity to the Textile Industry but it has to be remembered at the same time that the lion's share of war profits go into the Vaults of Government Treasury. Let it also be remembered that this temporary prosperity is shared by the Textile mills only to the extent of making future provision for raising funds for future provision after paying dividends of 2 to 3 per cent per annum on present block value. The speculator who exploited the farmer in pre-war days is now engaged in the nefarious activity again for exploiting the mills by compelling them to make purchases at prices dictated by him as the middle-man. It is contended that this middle-man is advancing in the interests of the producer but who will believe this claim who knows that the cream is eaten by the middle-man and that the poor farmer is in no way better off. Cotton is not purchased from the producer at any prices high enough to benefit him. The price that the speculator pays is small and the price that he demands is considerably high. Where does this difference go? Into the producer's pocket? If so, I should like to know what is the miraculous process that achieves this wonderful feat. If the consumer of cotton can purchase his goods from the producer at the prices remunerative to him and the producer, the producer would certainly be benefited but this doesn't happen. Neither the consumer nor the farmer is now making such profits as he is entitled to.

Again 60 per cent of the goods manufactured by the mills is sold—has to be sold to the Government. From the remaining 40 per cent, some goes to Africa and some again to Australia. Only a small fraction remains with the Mills for the use of us in India. Goods sold to Government do not bring huge profits; for Government permits only a small margin of profits. Mills it is well-known sell goods to local merchants at rates lower than those prevailing in the market.

The views expressed by the President of the East India Cotton Association deserve serious attention always; but on this occasion, I am afraid, I must say that those he gave expression to on this warning of Finance Member came upon me with a certain element of surprise. The attack made on Textile industry for exploiting consumers of cloth is ill-judged and misconceived.

In concluding this letter, I shall only hope that the Finance Member will at no distant date invite the views of all concerned in the Cotton trade before taking any drastic action to eradicate the unhealthy price movements now prevailing. It is also to be honed that Government will see its way to relieve the Mill Industry from the heavy burdens it is now shouldering.—Yours, etc.,

PARMANAND LAXMIDAS.

17th Road, Khar,
March 20.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT

The President:—When did the execution take place?

Mr. Trivedi:—At 8 a.m. on March 20th.

A Voice:—"The Government knew on that day that the execution had taken place and yet did not tell the House."

—Central Assembly report.

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"Let us", Mr. M. A. Jinnah calls upon Musalmans in an unusually worded eloquent appeal, "give all help to our leaders to work for our collective good."

Who is that singular being the leader of the Qaid-e-Azam, let alone plural?

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"I particularly appeal," says Mr. Jinnah further, "to our intelligentsia and Muslim students to come forward and rise to the occasion."

They had better bring ladders, too.

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Stafford Cripps' Dramatic Step
—Headline.

It's slightly different from his Indian Mission, a matter of enforcing nationalisation in one case and refusing it in the other.

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The A.P. correspondent in Burma proceeds in a message "to summarise the reasons for the lack of success" in the Arakan area.

Whatever else we lack, we always possess "reasons" in plenitude. In fact, we can mass produce at least this essential of war in a manner which must be the envy of Henry Ford himself.

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According to the American paper "Chicago News"—it belongs to Colonel Knox—Mr. Churchill has intimated that he is going to see the war through to a successful conclusion and then retire.

This report is a perfect example of the paradoxical phrase "too good to be true."

In fact, Mr. Churchill has himself now corroborated its too goodness.

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"Assuredly the League of Nations proved to be an improvement on others...."

—Madame Chiang.

So Mr. Winston Churchill has offered to restore the situation back.

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British Yarn For U.S.
—Headline.

Have they found out Anthony Eden?

* * *

He: "Isn't it about time baby called me daddy?"

She: "I've decided not to let him know who you are until the little darling gets a little stronger."

RANAGHAT IN NADIA DIST. IS A.R.P. AREA

CALCUTTA, March 22.

The Government of Bengal have, it is learnt, declared Ranaghat in Nadia District as an A. R. P. area.

Informing the University of this decision, Government have requested the former to advise all affiliated non-Government educational institutions in that area to proceed with such protective measures as are thought to be the most suitable in each case.

The University has written to Government enquiring if the latter would be prepared to finance a scheme for protective measures in this area.—A. P.

LONDON: A telegram from Pope expressing his grief at the death of Cardinal Hinsley was read by the Archbishop of Liverpool in Westminster Cathedral at "Requiem Mass" on Tuesday.

"Catholics' Meeting"

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—I have been reading with some interest the correspondence appearing in your columns regarding the Bombay Catholics meeting. I was present at the meeting, and I must say that the "Chronicle" report of Mr. Joachim Alva's speech was not unfair. Mr. Alva's speech was rather incoherent and somewhat unintelligible; perhaps because he was constantly being pulled up by the chair. His subsequent letter, however, has clarified his position and has left no room for any misunderstanding.

To suggest that Mr. Alva is a reactionary or that he has or he might betray nationalism for the sake of narrow communalism, seems to me to be far-fetched if not fantastic. One can confidently assert that very few even from among the Nationalist Christians have sacrificed themselves for the sake of national aspirations as much as Mr. Alva. This fact cannot be so easily overlooked.

As for an association of Catholics, it is the desire of most of us that it should be formed; and persons of the type of Mr. Alva are needed there to keep such organisation free from all communal tinge. What is more, instead of indulging in unnecessary personal criticism based on insufficient data, it would be better for the Nationalist Catholics to try to capture this proposed association, once it is formed and then mould its policy. The fact is that before anything else can be tried the association has to be formed. And about this all are agreed. Let all then get together and form this association brushing aside all differences.—Yours, etc.,

JOACHIM DIAS.

Points From Letters

BHALCHANDRA NAIK: Past is past. Indians are habituated to forget and to forgive. While wishing a 'bon voyage' to him, we request Sir Roger Lumley to show at least the real picture of India without any imperial prejudice, to his brothers and sisters when he reaches England."

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11 KILLED, 25 INJURED IN TRAIN MISHAP

Accident In Assam Attributed To Sabotage

SHILLONG, March 23.

Eleven persons were killed and 25 injured as a result of a serious railway accident which occurred on January 27 last somewhere near Panitola and Chuporai stations in Assam on the Bengal and Assam Railway, it was disclosed by the Premier of Assam, Sir Muhammad Saadullah, at question time in the Assam Legislative Assembly.

The Premier added that an inspection of th eline after the accident revealed that due to sabotage, the engine and three carriages of the 3 U P mail train derailed and capsized down the enbankment, resulting in the eath outright of eight passengers and injuries to 28, of which three had since died.—A. P.

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"LET US HAVE BETTER UNDERSTANDING"

Madame Chiang's Call To U. S. To Allay China's Distress

CHICAGO, March 23.

Madame Chiang Kai-Shek in a speech on Monday stressed the importance of fostering better understanding between the United States and China through knowledge of each others history and culture.

She said:—"Though our two countries have widely varied backgrounds—histories, cultures, traditions—both recognize the inherent ability of the individual as an individual with power to sway, contribute and help mould the destiny of a nation.

We are all aware that organized effort is nothing new. The reasons for failures of these efforts are not far to seek. The main cause for the failure of the League of Nations had its root in the narrowness of vision of those by whom it was created.

Assuredly, the League of Nations proved to be an improvement on others but in the case of China it concerned itself mainly with the inconsonant policies of a few nations.

We must take heed from China's painful experiences. Manchuria in 1939 portrays, a lesson which should be indelibly imprinted on our minds.

Six years of war and suffering in China speak more eloquently than words that we deem the preservation of our own culture subservient to the maintenance of world civilisation.

Let us together resolve to keep on fghting in the faith that our vision is worth preserving and can be preserved."—Reuter.

DETENUS ARE NOT WILLING ABSENTEES?

Roy Raises Point Of Privileges In Bengal Legislative Assembly

CALCUTTA, March 22.

A point of privilege as to whether the members of the Bengal Legislature, who are now being detained as security prisoners under the Defence of India Rules, could absent themselves from the meetings of the Legislature, without the permission of the Houses, was raised in the Bengal Legislative Assembly on Monday.

Mr. Charu Chandra Roy (Bose group), who raised this point of privilege, maintained that section 68 (4) of the Act was not applicable in the case of members of the Legislature, who are now detained under the Defence of India Rules as security prisoners. These members were not willingly absenting themselves from the meetings of the Legislatures.

The Speaker, Mr. Syed Nausher Ali, said that the point of privilege raised by Mr. Roy was a very important one and that on this point he had also received a letter from the Speaker of the Orissa Assembly. The Speaker reserved his ruling.—A. P.

Zafarullah Leaves For Lahore, Aziz Ul Huq For Calcutta

KARACHI, March 23.

Sir Aziz Ul Huq, High Commissioner for India in London, and Sir Mohd Zafarullah Khan who arrived in Karachi yesterday continued their journey this morning by the Punjab Mail.

Sir Aziz Ul Huq is proceeding direct to Calcutta and after seeing his family there he is expected to come back to Delhi. From Delhi Sir Aziz Ul Huq proposes thereafter to visit Bombay and pay a visit to Karachi.

Sir Mohd Zafarullah Khan is proceeding to Lahore 'en route' to Delhi.—A. P.

Stafford Cripps' Dramatic Step

LONDON, March 22.

Sir Stafford Cripps, Minister for Aircraft production, on Monday took a dramatic step in his relations with the Short Brothers Limited, famous builders of Sunderland flying boats and four-engined sterling bombers.

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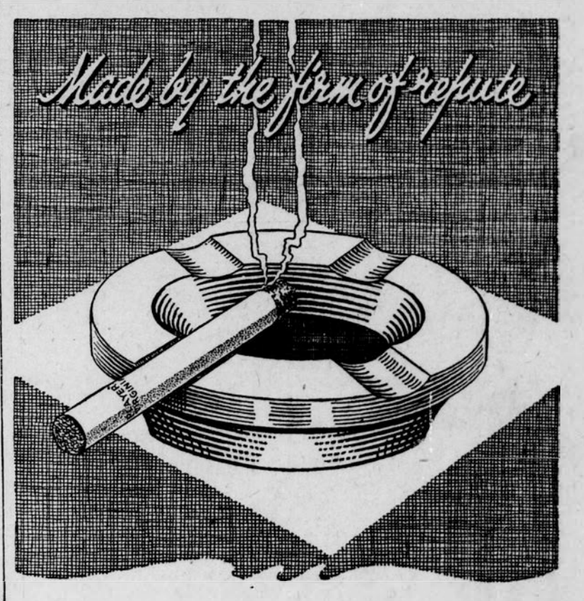

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MUTT AND JEFF—Double Talk or No Double Talk, This Is Enough of Double Twin Talk By BUD FISHER

HAVING BEEN AWAY MANY MONTHS ON A HUNTING TRIP IN AFRICA, JULIUS, JEFF'S TWIN BROTHER, HAS RETURNED
JEFF, I HAVEN'T SEEN THE TOWN IN MONTHS! HOW ABOUT RIDING AROUND? I'LL BET IT'S CHANGED!
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JULIUS
JEFF
SO?
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SHARE BAZAR CLOSED

Bombay, March 23.

The local share bazar remained entirely closed, owing to the deaths of two brokers, Mr. Maneck Bharucha and Mr. Dhirajlal Dalsukhbhai.

Metal Exchange Quotations

Bombay, March 23.

Copper sheets lb 21 Rs. 285; 28 260; 35 242; 42 230; 49-56 229

Brass sheets Flag Brand lb 20-21 Rs. 235; 24 231; 28 198; 35 186; 42 183; 49-56 182.

Spelter 'P.H.' Rs. 150; Rosita Rs. 148; Piglead 'B.M.' Refined Rs. 78 per cwt.

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Copper sheets Chaitra Rs. 238; Piglead B.M.' Ashad Rs. 143.

Market Tone:—Steady.

High & Low Cotton Prices

	Bombay, March 20. Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.
I.C.C. March	555	565	550	556
I.C.C. May	550	566	545	551
I.C.C. July	554	564	548	554
	Bombay, March 22. Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.
I.C.C. March	560	566	558	561
I.C.C. May	555	561	553	556
I.C.C. July	558	564	556	553

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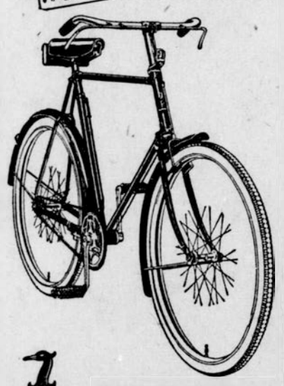

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NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

Bombay, March 23.

On Monday, New York cotton prices advanced after the Senate Agricultural Committee's approval of the Pace Bill but traders generally were cautious reflecting uncertainty over the final outcome of the Bill. The disclosure that the Commodity Credit Corporation will sell 125,000 bales on non-competitive basis in connection with the new uses programme had no influence on the market.

At the opening July was quoted 2 points down at 19.93 which was the lowest and under general buying price advanced to 20.07 which was the highest level reached during the first hour. The market was steady and finally closed at a net rise of 4 to 6 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 6 points at 21.95c. per lb.

The New Orleans cotton futures market was quietly steady and closed at a rise of 2 to 6 points. Spot cotton prices gained 2 points at 20.90c. per lb.

PRIVATE CABLES—

March 20:—

New York July highest (10-4 a.m.) 20.09+11
New York July lowest (12 noon) ... 19.92—16

March 22:—

New York July highest (10-54 a.m.) 20.07+12
New York July lowest (10 a.m.) ... 19.93—02

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, March 22

May	20.17+06
July	20.00+05
October	19.82+05
December	19.79+05
January	19.75+05
March	19.72+04
Middling Spot	21.95+06

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New York, March 22

May	20.43+02
July	20.33+04
October	20.14+03
December	20.10+06
January	20.04+04
March	20.03+06
Middling Spot	20.90+02

NEW YORK COTTON NOON CALL
New York, March 22

May	20.13
July	19.99
October	19.82

LONDON EXCHANGES
London, March 22

T T London on:
New York sellers 4.02 1/2 buyers 4.03 1/2
Madrid official 40.05
Montreal sellers 4.43 buyers 4.47
Zurich sellers 17.3 buyers 17.4
Stockholm sellers 16.85 buyers 16.95

LONDON WHEAT
London, March 22

Rozario Santa Fe March/April quoted 26/1 1/2
Australian March/April quoted 28

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London, March 22

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£67 1/2
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£82 1/8
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£105 7/8
War loan 3 1/2 per cent	£105 11/16
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£115 3/4
Victory bonds 4 per cent	£114
Chartered Bank of I A and China	£8 15/16
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	£68 1/2
National Bank of India	£35

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, March 23.

The local market rules steady around present level as urgent long liquidation is over. Ready demand is fairly good but the market feeling is bearish. At the opening May was quoted at Rs. 555 and declined to Rs. 551 but advanced to Rs. 556 and reacted to Rs. 554. Trading was restricted and traders are awaiting fresh developments.

Later on there was increased selling and May delivery declined to Rs. 539 and rallied to Rs. 545 on scattered covering. The market closed weak at 5-30 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. March	Rs.	547	0 0
I.C.C. May		543	0 0
I.C.C. July		546	8 0

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, March 23.

Yesterday London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar Sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 3/4 at New York. London spot and forward quotations were unchanged at 23 1/2d and New York silver was quoted at 44 3/4 cents.

The local market was steady at the opening and silver advanced to Rs. 110 but reacted to Rs. 109/4 on realising. Gold also eased off to Rs. 70/8 after advancing to Rs. 71/2. Tone was quiet and quotations were as under:—

GOLD

Ready	Rs.	70	12 0
Fagan		70	8 0
Chaitra		70	4 0
Sovereigns		50	15 0

SILVER

Ready		109	4 0
Fagan		109	0 0
Chaitra		108	14 0

LONDON SILVER
London, March 22

Spot	23 1/2
Forward	23 1/2

LONDON GOLD
London, March 22

Gold Bars Fine per ounce £8-8-0

Wall-Street Market

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following quotations of the 20th instant:

	Dollars
Electric Bond and Share dol 5 Pfd	64
Electric Power and Lt. 7 per cent Pfd	42
American Telephone and Telegraph	139 1/4
New York Central R R	13 3/8
New York Central and Hudson River R R 5 per cent 2013	60
Union Pacific	90
U. S. Steel	52 7/8
Bethlehem Steel	63
Crucible Steel	34
N. Y. Chicago and St. Louis Pfd	39
Anaconda Copper Mining	27 1/4
Int. Nickel of Canada	33
General Motors	47 3/8
Chrysler Motors	72
Sears Roebuck	65
Eaton Manufacturing	39
Dupont de Nemours	141
National City Bank of N. Y.	31 3/4
Consolidated Oil	8 3/4
Australia 5 per cent 1955	86 1/8

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, March 23.

LONDON:—

Banks buying 90 Days/St 1/6 9/32 Two Months.

Banks buying 90 Days/St 1/6 5/16 Three Months.

Banks buying 90 Days/St 1/6 5/16 Four Months.

B. C. Rates T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16

Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32

Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 5/32

LONDON/NEW YORK:—

Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 3/4

Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 326 1/2

LONDON/MONTREAL:—

Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2

Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 294 3/4

LONDON/BERNE:—

Banks selling T T Fcs 126 3/4

Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2

LONDON/STOCKHOLM:—

Banks selling T T K 123 D D K 123

Banks buying T T K 128 D D K 128

MEXICO/LONDON:—

Banks selling T T Rs. 67.27 D D Rs. 66.27

Banks buying T T Rs 63.04 D D Rs. 62.04

LISBON/LONDON:—

Banks selling T T Esc 7.35 nom D D Esc 7.35 nom.

Banks buying T T Esc 7.55 D D Esc 7.55.

AUSTRALIA/LONDON:—

Banks selling T T 1/10 3/8 D D 1/10 3/8

Banks buying T T — D D 1/11 3/8

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady. Dull.

Gold £8-8-0 Ready.

New York Silver 44 3/4

London Silver 23 1/2 Ready 23 1/2 Forward.

London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent

London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent

Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent

Bank of England Rate 2 per cent

Money:—Call one and two months 1/4 per cent

3 to 9 months 1/2 per cent

10 to 12 months 3/4 per cent

Tone:—Better enquiry.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON

JULY

New York, March 23.

Previous closing	20.00
To-day's opening	20.01
Difference	+.01

CROSS RATES

T. T NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York, March 23

Previous closing 4.03

T. T LONDON ON NEW YORK
London, March 23.

To-day's opening and closing 4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers

LONDON MARKETS

GOLD

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

SILVER

Spot and Forward 23 1/2d.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay 1/4 1/32 sellers: 1/5 31/32 buyers

New York on Bombay (30.37) 30.37

DISCOUNTS

3 months 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
4 months 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent.
6 months 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent

SEEDS

Castorseeds Bombay March/April £35
Linseed Calcutta March/April £26 3/4
Groundnut Coromandal March/April East Coast Indian shipment £35 West Coast Indian shipment £36.

METALS

Electric Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, March 23.

The London Stock Exchange was firm to-day.

LOANS

3 per cent Australian Commonwealth	£101 7/8
3 1/2 per cent British Consols	£92 3/16
3 per cent Conversion Loan	£106
3 per cent Conversion Loan	£100 1/2
4 per cent War Loan	£115 13/16
3 1/2 per cent War Loan	£105 13/16
3 per cent War Loan	£101 1/4
4 per cent Victory Bonds	£114 1/16

SHARES

Standard Motors	23-0
Marks and Spencer Ordinary	48-5
Electric Music Industry	24/3
Pinchin Johnson	32-0
Imperial Chemical	30-1 1/2
Woolsworth Ordinary	60-3
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rate	£78 1/4
Dunlop Rubber	34-9
Unilever Ordinary	35-9
Ford Motors	30-9
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary	£75 1/2
British American Tobacco Ordy	£4 15/16
Carreas 'A'	£6 1/4
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary	£7 9/32
P and O Defd	31-0
Distillers	86-0
Bredford Dyers	16-3
British Celanese	19-6
J and P Coates	43-6
Courtaulds Ordinary	49-0
Fine Cotton Spinners	16-6
Vickers Limited Ordinary	19-6
Inter Nickels dol	50 1/2
Indian Iron	55-0
Assam Tea	19-6
Donaro Tea	35-0
Empire Tea	22-6
Barnagore Jute	£7
Anglo-Dutch Rubber	13-6
Gula Kelampong	10-6
Rubber Plant	16-6
Nandydrug Mines	20-10 1/2
Burma Corporation	6-3
Rand Mines	£7 1/16
East Rand Properties	£1 29/32
Rand Mines	£7 1/16
Crown Mining	£8 3/4
Associated Portland Cement	60-0
Trinidad Leasehold	74-4 1/2
Sub-Nigel	£6 1/2
Spring Mines Split Shares	£0 29/32
Union Corporation	151-3
Venezuela Persian Oil	33-9
Anglo-India	89-4 1/2
Burma Oil	£7 13/16
Mexican Eagle	11-0
Shell Transport	£3 7/32
Royal Dutch	£24 1/2
Great Western Railway Ordinary	£58
London Midland Railway Ordinary	£29 1/2
London North Eastern Defd	£3 7/8
London Southern Defd	£21 7/8
London Transport 5 per cent	£130
London Transport 'C'	£55 3/4

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, March 23.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:

General Motors dol	47 5/8
Anaconda Copper Mining dol	27 3/4
U. S. Steel Corporation dol	53 7/8
U. S. Steel Preference dol	116

SEEDS MARKET

Bombay, March 23.

The local Seeds market was weak to-day under renewed selling. Groundnuts May opened at Rs. 92/10 and declined to Rs. 91/10 and rallied to Rs. 92. Castorseeds May declined to Rs. 88/8 and Linseed May was quietly steady at Rs. 10-10-6. The market is sagging buyers are indifferent.

Groundnuts May—			
Opening	90	5	0
Highest	91	2	0
Lowest	90	0	0
Closing	90	12	0
Castorseeds May—			
Opening	87	8	0
Highest	88	8	0
Lowest	87	8	0
Closing	88	8	0
Linseed May	10	10	6

Tenders For Treasury Bills

Tenders for Rs. Eight Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday the 23rd March 1943. Total amount offered was Rs. 11,04,00,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-11-9 and above were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-11-6 allotted approximately 71 per cent. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. 8,00,00,000. the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 1-1-10 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. Eight Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday the 30th March 1943, in Bombay up to 11 a.m. (S.T.) and up to the close of business on Monday the 29th March 1943 at other centres. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday the 2nd April 1943. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 19th March 1943, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 3,33,50,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

Three months' Intermediates will be sold from 24th March 1943 to 29th March 1943 at Rs. 99-12-0 subject to the conditions previously announced (viz. sales can be stopped at any time without previous notice if Government think it necessary).

Three months' Intermediates sold from 17th March 1943 to 22nd March 1943 amounted to Rs. 75,25,000.

Khadi Much Cheaper Than Mill Cloth?

The Charkha Secretary of the South Indian Association, Bombay, writes:—

Under the auspices of the spinning organisations of the locality, there was a congregational spinning at the Asthika Samaj, Matunga, on Monday evening. In all 25 spinners participated. It was pointed out to the large gathering that Khadi is working as the most economical proposition in as much as for one rupee worth of yarn, the A.I.S.A. Khadi Bhandar allow the spinners to purchase Khadi three times its value thereby making it much cheaper than the mill cloth. While the prices of mill cloth have gone up 3 to 4 times the pre-war rate Khadi prices have remained stationary.

The Sind Government has decided to raise the maximum price at which the new wheat crop may be sold in any producing area to Rs. 7 per maund.

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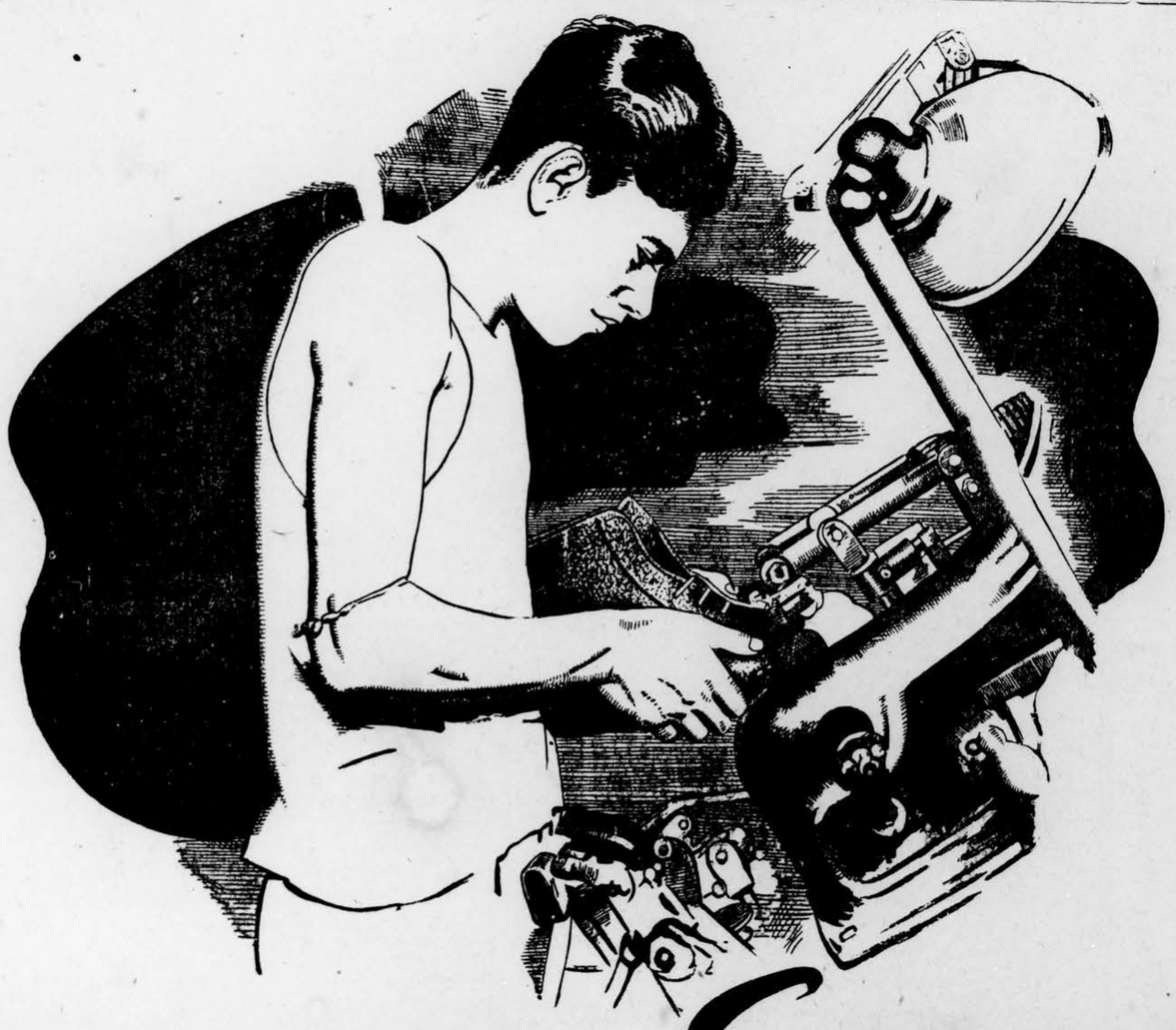

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'Shackles Of Old Days Must Be Broken'

S. African Indians Demand Judicial Inquiry Into Problem

DURBAN, March 22.

The Executive of the Natal Indian Congress has decided to request the Union Government to appoint a judicial commission to inquire into all aspects of the Indian question in South Africa.

The Executive also proposes to request the Indian High Commissioner to refer the matter to the Government of India with a request to support the plea.

Mr. A. I. Kajee, the Congress spokesman, said on Monday "the idea is bring a new outlook on the question and break the shackles of the old days.

We want the Commission of Inquiry to report on such matters as social and economic conditions and franchise.

The present Broome Commission they regard as touching only one aspect of a very big problem. —Reuter.

Indo-American Mutual Aid Agreement

Finance Member's Hint In Central Assembly

NEW DELHI, March 23.

"Conversations are at present proceeding between representatives of the Government of India and of the United States of America regarding the possibility of a direct mutual aid agreement. Government are not yet in a position to make a statement, but all aspects of the matter are receiving careful consideration."

Sir Jeremy Raisman, Finance Member, gave the above reply at question hour in the Central Assembly to-day, when Mr. K. C. Neogy asked if the Finance Member proposed to state clearly the precise nature of the liability which the Government of India would have to bear as a result of the working of such an agreement. He also asked if Government would seek to put a ceiling or maximum limit on the amount of reciprocal aid given, or to be given, by India, under the scheme, and whether India would be asked to bear the liability only for the lease-lend goods used strictly for India's own defence and not for the wider purposes of utilising India as the base of operations of the United Nations.

Mr. Neogy, by another question, asked whether the directors of the Central Board of the Reserve Bank of India had been consulted by the Government in capitalising pensions and in creating a post-war reconstruction fund with India's accumulated sterling credits.

Sir Jeremy answered: "Correspondence between the Reserve Bank and the Government of India is confidential."

Mr. Neogy: "Has there been any correspondence at all?"

A Voice: "That is also confidential." (Laughter).

In the Assembly this morning Pandit Shamthu Daya Misra, a member of the Congress Party, who attended today's sitting, sought leave for an adjournment motion to discuss "the attempt of the British Government to provoke the people of India to rebellion by the execution of Pir Pagaro"

Mr. Trivedi Defence Secretary, objecting to the motion stated that only the other day the House refused leave to discuss an adjournment motion on the sentence passed by the Martial Law Tribunal

The execution, he added was a logical corollary to that sentence.

In reply to the President it was pointed out that the last adjournment motion was attempted on March 20th

The President:—When did the execution take place?

Mr. Trivedi:—At 8 a.m on March 20th

As objection had been taken, the Chair asked members in support of the motion to stand six members of the Muslim League Party out of their total strength of 26 together with two or three other unattached members stood. As the requisite number of 25 did not rise the Chair announced that leave had been refused by the House.

The Assembly carried without a division the motion of the War Transport Member, Sir Edward Benthall, for the election of nine members to serve with the War Transport and Finance Members and the Financial Commissioner, Railways, as a Committee to consider matters arising out of clause IV of the Railway Convention resolution adopted by the Assembly earlier in the session.

Mr. N. V. H. Symons agreed to raise the number of members of the Civil Defence Department Standing Committee from three to five, during discussion of his motion for the election of non-official members to the Committee. Mr. Isaak Sait, on behalf of the Muslim League Party, declared that they were not interested in the Committee and therefore would not serve on it.

LEAGUE CUT MOTION REJECTED

Continuing discussion of demands for supplementary grants, the House divided on Maulvi Abdul Ghani's cut motion to discuss the representation of Muslims in the Civil Defence Department and rejected it by 40 votes to 17.

SYMONS EXPLAINS.

Sardar Sant Singh and Sir Ziauddin supported the motion.

Mr. N. V. H. Symons, Joint Secretary, Civil Defence, declared that the department was prepared to explain and fully justify every individual appointment made at any time and in any place and that there was no basis for the suggestion that efforts were made to appoint evacuees from Burma. He pointed out that to cast any reflection on the choice of men for jobs in the department was unfair to the late Dr. Raghavendra Rao, former Civil Defence Member, who had received encomiums from the country. (Several voices: unfair to drag in the name of the dead) In view of the attitude of the Muslim League to Civil Defence, Mr. Symons continued, Muslims with an eye on the future were afraid of offending the League and therefore did not apply for posts in sufficient numbers.

SPEECH A CONFESSION OF INCOMPETENCE

Nawabzada Liakat Ali, deputy leader, Muslim League Party, asserted that the Government spokesman's speech was a confession of incompetence Mr. Symons, he said had to go to the dead for testimony to the department's work. The Nawabzada wondered whether Mr. Symons realised that what he stated about the Muslim League amounted to the greatest compliment to the League's solidarity and influence

Mr. Symons had by his speech given the lie direct to the claim that in spite of the League, Mussalmans were helping Government wholeheartedly in the war effort. If Mr. Symons statement that it was the Muslim League which was preventing Muslims from joining in Government's activities was correct, then how did it happen that there were so many Muslims in the army and in other departments? The reason was not that Muslims did not come forward but that the Civil Defence Department would not take them. He was told, said the Nawabzada, that a member of his party had a number of names of Muslims who had been rejected by that department.

The cut motion was lost.

Earlier the House also rejected by 49 votes to 14 Maulvi Abdul Ghani's cut motion to discuss Muslim representation in Port Trusts.

BILL TO CONTROL INDIAN TEA CONTROL ACT.

After disposing of all demands for supplementary grants, the House took up Mr. T. S. Pillay's bill to amend the Indian Tea Control Act seeking to extend the measure for the period of the war and two years thereafter. In the course of the debate on the first reading of the Bill, a number of points were made with regard to conditions of labour on tea plantations, on which the labour member, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar explained Government's position. Closure was moved by Government at about 4-45 p.m. when a number of members from the Muslim League party and former members of the Nationalist Party were preparing to speak. Closure was accepted and to mark their resentment against this, the Muslim League and Nationalist Party members challenged a division on Maulvi Abdul Ghani's motion for circulation of the bill. The motion was rejected by 35 votes to 26. A division was also challenged on the consideration motion, which was again rejected by 36 votes to 25.

Mr. Pillay moving consideration of the bill explained that the interests concerned had unanimously agreed to the extension and said that control would be so worked as to leave ample tea for consumption in India.

Maulvi Abdul Ghani moved circulation of the bill and was supported by Sir Ziauddin Ahmed, who opposed control of production, declaring that it was against the consumers' interests. The consumer, he pointed out, had now to pay for his tea three times the price he once paid for it.

Mr. N. M. Joshi dwelt on the conditions of labour in plantations and said their wages, for instance, were the lowest paid to industrial labour in this country amounting to Rs. 7 or 8 a month to a male worker, Rs. 5 or 6 to a woman and Rs. 4 or 6 to a child.

Mr. P. J. Griffiths giving figures said the total quantity exported was 421 million lbs of tea, leaving a balance in India of 147 million lbs against an estimate of internal consumption placed at its highest at less than 130 million lbs. any rise in price, therefore, did not arise from shortage of supplies.

HINDU SUCCESSION

The circulation motion was lost, and the house agreed to the motion for consideration. Further debate on the bill was adjourned till to-morrow.

Large numbers of women who crowded the public gallaries in the expectation that the Hindu Women's Intestate Succession bill would be taken up to-day went away disappointed that earlier items on the agenda occupied the whole day and looked like taking some time to-morrow. The Hindu Intestate Succession Bill appears on the agenda after the ten bill, and is expected to be reached by lunch hour to-morrow.—A. P

5 Members Of Nationalist Party Resign

NEW DELHI, March 23.

Messrs. Sardar Sant Singh, Jamnadas Mehta, Anandamohan Dam, Nilkantha Das and Bhai Paramananda—members of the Central Assembly have issued the following statement:—

"We till now members of the Nationalist Party have this day severed our connection with the Party owing to the arbitrary and unconstitutional conduct of Dr. Banerji, the leader of the Party. In particular the following facts led us to this step.

(1). That the annual election of the office-bearers of the Party were due on March 4, 1943, but the leader deliberately prevented the holding of the annual meeting of the party in order to continue in office

(2). That when at last a meeting was called on the 15th inst. Dr. Banerji gave a second and casting vote in favour of an adjournment motion, thereby preventing the holding of elections which were postponed till 23rd inst.

(3). But all of a sudden on the eve of the elections by a short notice, he convened a meeting of the Party to take two new members. That move was challenged in the meeting and an adjournment was moved. Again by his second and casting vote he declared the adjournment motion to be lost. It is significant that he had refused to call a meeting of the Party to-day to consider the party's attitude on the Hindu Succession bill which comes up to-morrow in the Assembly.

Unable to further tolerate such arbitrary conduct of the leader of the party we had no other course left except to sever our connection with the Party and leave the meeting.

As a result there is no Nationalist Party in the Assembly to-day and we have formed a separate party with Sardar Sant Singh as the leader".—A. P.

PLANES FROM TREES

NEW DELHI, March 23.

An American aviation company is using a radio transmitter to turn trees into airplanes for the United States says U. S. Office of War Information.

A new development in the manufacture of plywood parts, the radio process already has produced an all-wood, advanced training plane for the U. S. Army—the TANKEE DOODLE.

S. AFRICAN MINISTER DIDN'T KNOW OF IT

Says, Nothing Could Be Done To Supply 2 Million Maize Bags To India

CAPETOWN March 22.

In the Assembly the Minister for Agriculture, Mr Collins, said that he did not know of any request from the British Government for two million bags of maize to be supplied by South Africa to India

If such a request were received it would not be possible to do much about it this year

It will be recalled, says South African Press Association's parliamentary correspondent that a big maize shortage threatened last year.

If the crop comes up to expectation this year namely 20 to 23 million bags, there will be just enough for internal consumption —Reuter

UNITED NATIONS TO CONFER ON POST-WAR FOOD PRODUCTION

WASHINGTON, March 22.

An United Nations Conference on post-war food production and distribution will be held on April 27, it was reported in diplomatic circles here to-day (Monday).—Reuter.

RATION OFFICER FOR BENGAL POLICE STAFF

DINAJPUR (Bengal) March 23.

For the benefit of the police staff, a Ration Officer in police line has been posted since March 1 last.—United Press.

BAN ON EXPORT OF COTTON FROM FR. INDIA

PONDICHERRY, March 22.

By an Order-in-Council, His Excellency the Governor of French India has prohibited from all the French establishments in India the export of cotton yarn and all other cotton goods.—A. P.

BRITAIN CUTS DOWN FILM CONSUMPTION

LONDON: A cut in cinema films consumption in Britain to 75 per cent of 1942 consumption, as has already been done in the United States, is decreed by a Board of Trade order to-day. But each copy of films will be given more screening so that it is hoped that the cinema hours will not be reduced. The number of British pictures made will remain unaffected.

The Half-Column

By "Dim"

According to an advertisement appearing in the local papers the National War Front a whole year after its inauguration wants a writer! May I suggest the name of Sir Richard Tottenham, who judging from his pamphlet on the Congress responsibility would write ideal notes for speakers. The advertisement says "Pay according to qualifications." I would suggest Sir Richard be paid at least sixty rupees as the price of living has gone up these days.

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There is no truth in the rumour that after reading Mr Churchill's broadcast speech in which he talked about "moving forward in one great family FREE FOR EVER FROM CLASS PREJUDICE AND OTHER FORMS OF SNOBBERY" the Yacht Club decided to open its doors to Englishmen of the boxwala variety. Had the rumour been true, however, one would have heard something like the following in its lounge:

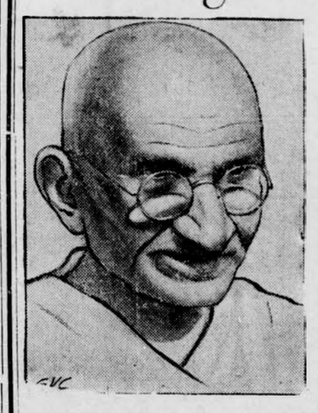
"I say 'mun' why for you don't like Nasik whisky?"

"No mun' that we drank one time in the Gymkhana."

Hubli Municipality Supersession Extended

The supersession of the Borough Municipality of Hubli has been extended until June 30, 1944.

Gandhiji Has Pulled Through His Fast



A MIRACLE INDEED!

But we must remember, for years, Gandhiji has been frugal in his diet and has conserved his energy. The observance of "Day of Silence" is also directed towards the same end. With the energy thus conserved, he is able to control his mind and body to a miraculous degree and has acquired wonderful powers of introspection

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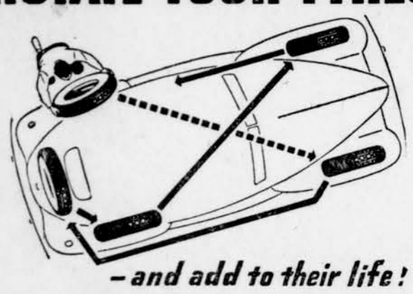

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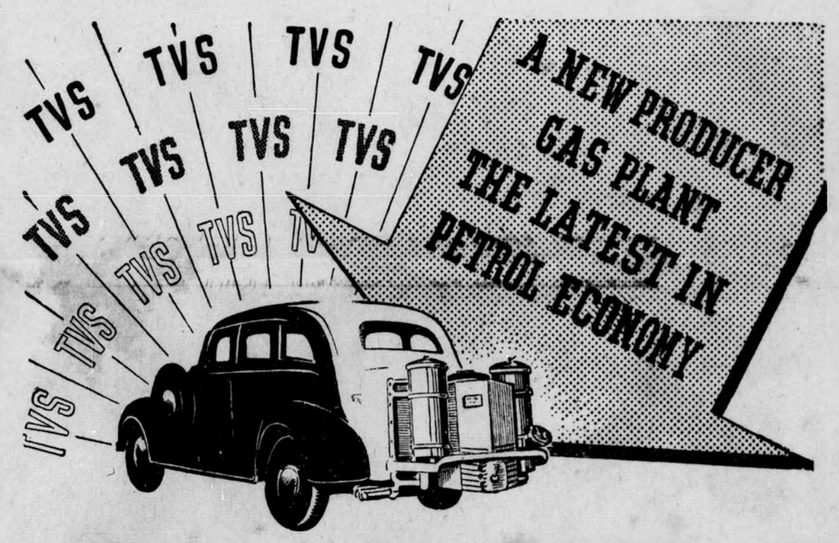

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